

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE**

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Richard A. Atkinson, M.D., and Patricia B. Atkinson,  
on behalf of themselves and all others similarly  
situated,

Plaintiffs

v.

Morgan Asset Management, Inc., Morgan Keegan &  
Company, Inc., Regions Financial Corporation, MK  
Holding, Inc., Allen B. Morgan, Jr., J. Kenneth  
Alderman, Jack R. Blair, Albert C. Johnson, James  
Stillman R. McFadden, W. Randall Pittman, Mary S.  
Stone, Archie W. Willis, III, Brian B. Sullivan, J.  
Thompson Weller, Charles D. Maxwell, Michele F.  
Wood, James C. Kelsoe, Jr., David H. Tannehill,  
and PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP,

Defendants.

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**COMPLAINT**

(Class Action)

Jury Trial Demanded

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Plaintiffs individually and on behalf of all other persons similarly situated for their Complaint against defendants allege as follows:

1. This is an action by and on behalf of persons who purchased shares of Regions Morgan Keegan Select Intermediate Bond Fund (“Intermediate Fund”) and/or Regions Morgan Keegan Select High Income Fund (“High Income Fund”) (together, “the Funds”) during the period December 6, 2004 through the October 3, 2007 against the Funds’ investment adviser, officers and directors and the other defendants for, *inter alia*, the violation of the disclosure requirements of federal securities laws and the federal Investment Company Act. The Funds and the defendants misrepresented or failed to disclose material facts relating to (i) the nature of the risk being assumed by an investment in the Funds, (ii) the illiquidity of certain securities in which the Funds invested, (iii) the extent to which the Funds’ portfolios contained securities that were illiquid or exhibited the characteristics of illiquid securities so that they were highly vulnerable to suddenly becoming unsalable at the prices at which they were being carried on the Funds’ records, (iv) the extent to which the Funds’ portfolios were subject to fair value procedures, (v) the extent to which the values of such securities, and, consequently, the net asset values (“NAVs”) of the Funds, were based on estimates of value and the uncertainty inherent in such estimated values, and (vi) the concentration of investments in a single industry.

2. Plaintiffs, by and through their undersigned attorneys, bring this action upon personal knowledge as to themselves and their own acts, upon the investigation conducted by and through Plaintiffs’ counsel as to all other matters, including without limitation, analysis of publicly available news articles and reports, public filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), review of various web sites and Internet information sources (including the Morgan Keegan Funds website), news reports, press releases and

other matters of public record, prospectuses, Statements of Additional Information, annual and semi-annual reports issued by and on behalf of the Funds, sales materials, and upon information and belief.

### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

3. This action arises under:

- (a) The Securities Act of 1933, as amended, 15 U.S.C. §§ 77a *et seq.* (the “Securities Act”) and, in particular, under §§ 11 and 15, 15 U.S.C. §§ 77k and 77o; and
- (b) The Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, 15 U.S.C. §§ 80a *et seq.*, and, in particular, under §§ 34(b) and 47(b), 15 U.S.C. §§ 80a-34(b) and 80a-47(b).

4. Venue is proper in this District, pursuant to Section 22 of the Securities Act, Section 44 of the Investment Company Act, and 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b), because most of the Defendants have principal places of business or reside in this District and many of the acts complained of occurred in this District.

5. In connection with the conduct alleged herein, the Defendants used the means and instrumentalities of interstate commerce, including the United States mails and interstate telephone facilities.

### **PARTIES**

6. Morgan Keegan Select Fund, Inc. (the “Company”) was organized as a Maryland corporation on October 27, 1998. The Company is an open-end, management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). The Company consists of three portfolios, each with its own investment objective: Regions Morgan Keegan Select Short Term Bond Fund (“Short Term Fund”),

Regions Morgan Keegan Select Intermediate Bond Fund (“Intermediate Fund”), and Regions Morgan Keegan Select High Income Fund (“High Income Fund”). This action relates to the Intermediate Fund and the High Income Fund (each a “Fund” and collectively, the “Funds”). No claim is asserted herein against the Company or the Funds. The High Income Fund was closed to new investors in the fall 2007, except that any shareholder who owned this fund in an existing account as of November 1, 2005 could continue to purchase additional shares in their account.

7. Plaintiff Richard A. Atkinson, M.D., a resident of the State of Tennessee, invested approximately \$43,000 in the Intermediate Fund during the Class Period, as set forth in the accompanying certification.

8. Plaintiff Patricia B. Atkinson, a resident of the State of Tennessee, invested approximately \$109,000 in the Intermediate Fund during the Class Period, as set forth in the accompanying certification.

9. Defendant Morgan Asset Management, Inc. (“Morgan Management”), a registered investment adviser, pursuant to investment advisor agreements between it and the Company, managed and advised the Funds at all times relevant herein. Morgan Management is headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama, with a principal office in Memphis, Tennessee. Morgan Management is a wholly owned subsidiary of MK Holding, Inc. Under the terms of the agreements, the Intermediate Fund and High Income Fund are charged annual management fees, before any waivers, of 0.4% and 0.75% based on average daily net assets, respectively, which are calculated daily and paid monthly based on the average daily net assets of the Funds.

10. Defendant MK Holding, Inc. (“Holding”), is a wholly owned subsidiary of Regions Financial Corporation (“Regions”).

11. Defendant Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc. (“Morgan Keegan”), a wholly owned subsidiary of Regions, is a full service broker/dealer that purports to provide personalized investment services to its clients from over 400 offices in 19 states and is headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee. It performed administration services for the Funds and distributed the Funds’ shares at all times relevant herein; Morgan Keegan also received commissions on the sale of shares of the Funds. Morgan Keegan also provided an employee to serve as the Funds’ Chief Compliance Officer and, pursuant to a Fund Accounting Service Agreement, provided portfolio accounting services to the Funds for an annual fee of 0.03% based on the average daily net assets of the Funds. Morgan Keegan also served as the Transfer and Dividend Disbursing Agent for the Funds. Pursuant to the Transfer Agency and Service Agreement, each Fund pays Morgan Keegan an annual base fee per share class plus a variable fee based on the number of shareholder accounts.

12. The Company has adopted two Distribution Plans pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act (“12b-1 Plans”), one with respect to Class A Shares and the other with respect to Class C Shares of the Funds. The 12b-1 Plans compensate Morgan Keegan, the Funds’ primary Distributor, and other dealers and investment representatives for services and expenses relating to the sale and distribution of the Funds’ shares. Under the Class A Shares’ 12b-1 Plan, the Funds pay a fee at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets with respect to Class A Shares of the Funds. Under the Class C Shares’ 12b-1 Plan, Regions Morgan Keegan Select Short Term Bond Fund, Regions Morgan Keegan Select Intermediate Bond Fund and Regions Morgan Keegan Select High Income Fund pay a fee at an annual rate of 0.45%, 0.60% and 0.75%, respectively, of the average daily net assets with respect to Class C Shares of each Fund.

13. Regions Financial Corporation (“Regions”), a Delaware corporation, is a regional financial holding company (NYSE: RF). The Funds’ shares were marketed, offered and sold by and through subsidiaries and trust departments of subsidiaries owned or controlled by Regions.

14. Defendant Allen B. Morgan, Jr., is and was during the Class Period a Director and Chairman of the Company and is a resident of Tennessee. During the Class Period, he also served as a Director and Vice-Chairman of Regions and as a Director of Morgan Asset Management, Inc., and Chairman and Executive Managing Director of Morgan Keegan.

15. Defendant J. Kenneth Alderman is and was during the Class Period a Director of the Company and is a resident of Alabama. He also has been President of Regions Morgan Keegan Trust and Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Morgan Management. He has been Executive Vice President of Regions. He is a Certified Public Accountant and he holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

16. Defendant Jack R. Blair is and was during the Class Period a Director of the Company and is a resident of Tennessee.

17. Defendant Albert C. Johnson is and was during the Class Period a Director of the Company and is a resident of Alabama. He also has been an independent financial consultant and has served as a director or chief financial officer of other companies. He also was with Arthur Andersen LLP.

18. Defendant James Stillman R. McFadden is and was during the Class Period a Director of the Company and is a resident of Tennessee.

19. Defendant W. Randall Pittman is and was during the Class Period a Director of the Company and is a resident of Alabama. He also has been chief financial officer of several companies and, from 1983 to 1995, he held various positions with AmSouth

Bancorporation (a bank holding company), including Executive Vice President and Controller.

20. Defendant Mary S. Stone is and was during the Class Period a Director of the Company and is a resident of Alabama. She also has been a professor at the University of Alabama Culverhouse School of Accountancy and has held the Hugh Culverhouse Endowed Chair of Accountancy since 2002. She has served as Director of the Culverhouse School of Accountancy since 2004. She is also a former member of Financial Accounting Standards Advisory Council, AICPA, Accounting Standards Executive Committee and AACSB International Accounting Accreditation Committee. She is a Certified Public Accountant.

21. Defendant Archie W. Willis, III, is and was during the Class Period a Director of the Company and is a resident of Tennessee. He also has been President of Community Capital (financial advisory and real estate development) since 1999 and Vice President of Community Realty Company (real estate brokerage) and was a First Vice President of Morgan Keegan from 1991 to 1999. He also has served as a director of a telecommunications company and a member of a bank advisory board.

22. Defendant Brian B. Sullivan is and has been since 2006 President of the Funds and President and Chief Investment Officer of Morgan Management and is a resident of Alabama. He also has served as President of AmSouth Asset Management, Inc., which has merged or will soon merge into Morgan Management. From 1996 to 1999 and from 2002 to 2005, he served as Vice President of AmSouth Asset Management, Inc. Since joining AmSouth Bank in 1982 through 1996, Mr. Sullivan served in various capacities including Equity Research Analyst and Chief Fixed Income Officer and was responsible for Employee Benefits Portfolio Management and Regional Trust Investments. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.



23. Defendant J. Thompson Weller is and was since 2006 Treasurer of the Funds and is a resident of Tennessee. He has been or was a Managing Director, Senior Vice President and Controller of Morgan Keegan and held other financial offices of Morgan Keegan. He also was with Arthur Andersen & Co. and Andersen Consulting before joining Morgan Keegan.

24. Defendant Charles D. Maxwell is and was during the Class Period Secretary and Assistant Treasurer of the Funds and is a resident of Tennessee. He also has been Executive Managing Director, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Secretary of Morgan Keegan since 2006 and previously served as Managing Director of Morgan Keegan from 1998 to 2006 and held other executive positions with Morgan Keegan before that. He has been Secretary and Treasurer of Morgan Management. He was with the accounting firm of Ernst & Young LLP before joining Morgan Keegan.

25. Defendant Michele F. Wood is and was during the Class Period Chief Compliance Officer of the Funds and is a resident of Tennessee. She also has been the Chief Compliance Officer of Morgan Management since 2006 and is also a Senior Vice President of Morgan Keegan. She was a Senior Attorney and First Vice President of Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc. from 2002 to 2006. Before that she was a staff attorney with FedEx Corporation from 2001 to 2002 specializing in employment litigation and an associate with Ford & Harrison LLP from 1997 to 2001.

26. Defendant James C. Kelsoe, Jr., CFA, is and was during the Class Period the Senior Portfolio Manager of the Funds and of Morgan Management and is a resident of Tennessee.

27. Defendant David H. Tannehill, CFA, is and was during the Class Period the Portfolio Manager of the Funds and of Morgan Management and is a resident of Tennessee.

28. The above identified Defendant officers and directors of the Funds, Morgan Management, Morgan Keegan, Holding, and Regions are sometimes hereinafter referred to as “MK Defendants.”

29. Defendant PricewaterhouseCoopers (“PwC”), a limited liability partnership, is a national public accounting and auditing firm with one of its several principal places of business in Tennessee. During the Class Period, PwC audited the Funds’ annual financial statements, reviewed the Fund’s semi-annual financial statements, issued reports on the Funds’ internal controls, and read the Funds’ prospectuses and each amendment thereto and affirmed the financial information therein to the extent that such information was derived from the Funds’ audited financial statements. At all relevant times, PwC held itself out as possessing special expertise in the auditing of financial statements of, and the management of, registered investment companies such as the Funds.

30. Defendants either:

- (a) participated, directly or indirectly, in the wrongful conduct alleged herein;
- (b) combined to engage in the wrongful transactions and dealings alleged herein;
- (c) knew, or in the exercise of reasonable care, should have known, of the misrepresentations and omissions of material facts, or recklessly caused such misrepresentations or omissions of material facts to be made; or
- (d) benefited from the wrongful conduct alleged.

#### **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

31. The class that plaintiffs seek to represent includes all persons and entities that purchased any shares of the Funds’ common stock from the Funds, through Morgan Keegan, or otherwise, at any time during the period from December 6, 2004 through October 3, 2007,

inclusive (the “Class Period”). The class excludes the defendants, any affiliates and subsidiaries of the corporate defendants, the officers and directors of the corporate defendants, any entity in which any excluded party has a controlling interest, or any legal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns of any of the foregoing persons.

32. There are questions of law and fact common to plaintiffs and the other members of the class that predominate over any questions solely affecting individual members of the class. Among the questions of law and fact common to this class are the following:

- (a) Whether Defendants violated, or are otherwise to be held liable under, §§ 11, 12, and 15 of the Securities Act and § 34(b) of the ICA as alleged herein;
- (b) Whether defendants participated in and pursued the common course of conduct complained of;
- (c) Whether in documents disseminated to the investing public and the Funds’ shareholders, and filed with the SEC during the Class Period, defendants omitted and/or misrepresented material facts about the value of the Funds’ assets, the Funds’ pricing, the Funds’ valuation practices, the illiquidity of the Funds’ assets, and the risks involved in owning the Funds’ shares, including risks posed by illiquidity, and valuation uncertainty, as alleged herein;
- (d) Whether, in omitting to state and/or misrepresenting material facts, Defendants acted in such a manner as to be liable to the Funds’ shareholders pursuant to the statutory claims asserted herein;
- (e) Whether registration statements issued and amended by the Funds during the Class Period were false and misleading as alleged herein;

- (f) Whether the Funds were managed in a manner inconsistent with their respective investment restrictions;
- (g) Whether the Defendants engaged in, or failed to identify, portfolio transactions that were inconsistent with the Funds' investment restrictions and that violated the ICA as alleged herein;
- (h) Whether the Funds and Morgan Management affirmatively determined the liquidity of each security, of lack thereof, purchased by the Funds at the time of purchase;
- (i) Whether PwC failed to identify portfolio transactions that were inconsistent with the Funds' investment restrictions and that violated the Investment Company Act of 1940, failed to advise the Funds' board of directors of such matters, and failed to disclose such matters to the Funds' shareholders and prospective shareholders;
- (j) Whether PwC undertook to inform the Funds' officers and directors of facts, circumstances or practices that violated the Funds' investment restrictions or that otherwise posed significant risks to the Funds and their shareholders;
- (k) Whether PwC conducted its audits of the Funds' financial statements during the Class Period in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards;
- (l) Whether the Funds' annual financial statements were presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- (m) Whether the value of certain of the Funds' assets and, accordingly, the Funds' net asset values, were uncertain;

- (n) Whether the Defendants failed to properly value certain of the funds' assets and failed to adhere to required and disclosed valuation procedures;
  - (o) Whether Morgan Management priced all of the assets of the Funds on a daily basis and whether they violated the ICA by issuing and redeeming shares in the Funds on any days when they did not price all of the Funds' assets;
  - (p) Whether plaintiffs and the other members of the class are entitled to rescind their purchases of the Funds' shares during the Class Period;
  - (q) Whether plaintiffs and the other members of the class have sustained damages as a result of the disclosure deficiencies and other unlawful conduct alleged herein; and
  - (r) If plaintiffs and the other members of the class have been so damaged, what the proper measure of damages is.
33. This action is properly maintained as a class action for the following reasons:
- (a) The class members are so numerous that joinder of all such class members is impracticable;
  - (b) There are questions of law or fact common to the class;
  - (c) The claims of the named plaintiffs are typical of the claims of the class;
  - (d) The named plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class;
  - (e) The named plaintiffs and the class are represented by counsel experienced in class action and securities litigation;

- (f) The questions of law or fact common to the class predominate over any questions affecting only individual class members;
- (g) A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy; and
- (h) Plaintiffs know of no difficulty that should be encountered in the management of this litigation that would preclude its maintenance as a class action.

## **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

### **THE FUNDS' AND THEIR LOSSES**

34. The Funds were opened in 1999. The Funds' shares were issued pursuant to prospectuses included as part of a SEC Form N-1A registration statement filed with the SEC. The first registration statement relating to the Funds became effective on May 22, 1999 and was amended thereafter on at least the following dates: October 28, 1999, June 6, 2000, June 30, 2006, August 17, 2000, August 18, 2000, August 25, 2000, October 30, 2000, November 11, 2007, October 26, 2001, October 28, 2002, October 29, 2003, September 10, 2004, October 28, 2004, November 23, 2004, December 13, 2004, February 11, 2005, September 1, 2005, October 31, 2005, August 31, 2006, October 30, 2006, and November 29, 2007.

35. As of November 23, 2007, Morningstar reported the High Income Fund's NAV was down almost 55% year-to-date; from December 31, 2006 until November 30, 2007, the High Income Fund's NAV per share declined from \$10.14 to \$3.91 for a loss of \$6.23 per share, or 61.4%.

36. As of November 23, 2007, Morningstar reported the Intermediate Fund's NAV was down over 43% year-to-date; from December 31, 2006 until November 30, 2007, the

Intermediate Fund's NAV per share declined from \$9.93 to \$5.07 for a loss of \$4.86 per share or 48.9%.

37. Of 439 other intermediate bond funds and 253 other high income funds, none suffered losses of this magnitude during the same period.

38. These extraordinary losses in share value were caused by the Funds' heavy investment in relatively new types of manufactured or structured fixed income securities that had not been tested through market cycles and by the failure of the Funds to have previously complied with required and disclosed procedures relating to the manner in which the Funds' assets were invested, the liquidity of their assets would be maintained, the lack of liquidity in the Funds' portfolios, the pricing of their assets, the valuation procedures used to price their assets, the uncertainty inherent in the estimated value of their assets, and/or the failure to disclose such breaches and failures and conditions in the Funds' portfolios that rendered them extraordinarily vulnerable to changes in market conditions, far more vulnerable than other intermediate bond and high income funds affected by the same events and conditions in the subprime and other markets in 2007.

39. As the subprime events unfolded in the fixed income markets in the summer of 2007, buyers of, including purported market makers for, these financial instruments disproportionately (compared with their peer funds) purchased by the Funds disappeared, as such securities became suspect even when the underlying collateral continued to pay principal and interest. This resulted in a greater supply of such securities than a demand for such securities which in turn caused the values of all similar types of such securities to drop dramatically, an entirely foreseeable event for securities that traded in thin markets or for which market quotations were not readily available, as was the case with a significant portion of the Funds' portfolio securities. In an open-end fund, such as the Funds, such drops in aggregate

asset values are immediately translated into losses in the Funds' net asset value per share because the per share price at which open-end funds buy and sell their shares is the value of the net assets of the fund—i.e., the value of assets minus liabilities—divided by the number of outstanding shares.

40. The Funds' extraordinary losses in share value were not caused by economic or market forces. The events experienced by the fixed income securities markets in 2007 affected all fixed income funds but had a far greater adverse effect on the Funds than on their intermediate and high income peers because the Funds' portfolios were significantly different than their respective peer funds. The Funds contained disproportionately large positions in the new untested structured financial instruments and other illiquid securities—i.e., securities for which market quotations were not readily available and, therefore, could be valued only by the use of fair value pricing procedures based on estimates of value that are inherently uncertain.

41. The disproportionate adverse effect of these events on the Funds could not reasonably have been foreseen or anticipated by persons investing in the Funds, in light of the Funds' disclosures and perception in the market place and their failure to disclose the extent to which their portfolios held securities uniquely vulnerable to these kinds of market events and the risks inherent in holding such large amounts of such securities. The disproportionate adverse effect of these events on the Funds could and should reasonably have been foreseen and anticipated by Defendants in view of the magnitude of illiquid securities in the Funds' portfolios and the recent history of similar events affecting niches of the fixed income securities markets and the SEC, industry and accounting guidance regarding the need for open-end funds to ensure they have liquid portfolios and the valuation difficulty/uncertainty attendant to thinly traded and illiquid securities.



42. During the Class Period, the Funds heavily invested in collateralized bond obligations (“CBOs”), collateralized loan obligations (“CLOs”), and collateralized mortgage obligations (“CMOs”), collectively sometimes referred to as “collateralized debt obligations” (“CDOs”) or “structured financial instruments.” These securities are usually only thinly traded—i.e., market quotations for these securities are not readily available—and, based on their characteristics, are illiquid. As a consequence, the values of these securities can only be estimated, which estimated valuations are inherently uncertain.

43. No other intermediate term or high-yield bond fund had invested as heavily in these structured financial instruments as did the two Morgan Keegan Funds. Indeed, on July 19, 2007, Bloomberg News quoted Jim Kelsoe, the senior portfolio manager of the two Funds, as having an “intoxication” with such securities. Bloomberg further reported that an analyst at Morningstar, Inc., the mutual fund research firm, noted that “[a] lot of mutual funds didn’t own much of this stuff” and that the High Income Fund was “the one real big exception.”

44. Thus, the extraordinary decline (as compared with other funds of their type) in the Funds’ net asset value during the Class Period was caused by the illiquidity of the market for the Funds’ securities whose values could only be estimated in the absence of readily available market quotations.

45. In sales materials dated June 30, 2007, the High Income Fund represented to existing and prospective shareholders that the Fund provides the “[p]otential for lower NAV volatility than typical high-yield funds.”

46. In its sales materials dated June 30, 2007 and September 30, 2007, the High Income Fund represented to existing and prospective shareholders the following:

- **“Opportunity for High Current Income . . .** The relatively conservative credit posture of the Fund reflects our goal of higher yields without excessive credit risk.”

- **“Broad Diversification** A unique advantage of the Select High Income Fund is its diversification across a wide variety of high-income debt and equity-linked securities. Not limited to high-yield corporate bonds, we invest in many types of mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities, as well as various types of convertible securities and income-producing stocks.”

The September 30, 2007 sales materials omitted the representation described in preceding paragraph 45 above.

47. In its sales materials dated September 30, 2007, the Intermediate Fund represented to existing and prospective shareholders the following:

- (a) “The Fund provides:
  - “A higher level of current income than typical money market investments
  - “A diversified portfolio of mostly investment-grade debt instruments, with some exposure to below-investment-grade assets.”
- (b) **“Concentrate on Value** Credit fundamentals and relative value drive the investment decisions. The Fund’s focus is on “undervalued” and “out-of-favor” sectors and securities, which still have solid credit fundamentals. In addition to purchasing investment-grade securities to fulfill its investment objectives, the Fund may invest up to 35% of its assets in below-investment-grade debt securities. The portfolio seeks to maintain a balanced exposure across the investment-grade spectrum.”
- (c) **“Broad Diversification** The single best way to reduce the risk of any portfolio is through adequate diversification. The Intermediate portfolio is diversified not only with regard to issuer, but also industry, security type and maturity. Furthermore, the Select Intermediate Bond Fund does not invest in speculative derivatives.”

#### **THE FUNDS’ PERFORMANCES COMPARED WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE PEERS**

48. According to their sales materials dated September 30, 2007, the Funds’ performances for the indicated periods through September 30, 2007 were as follows:

- (a) Intermediate Fund:

Class of Shares	A	C	I	Average
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<b>Max Load/No Load</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Max</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Max</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Period ending</b>						
Quarter	-19.96%	-21.56%	-20.05%	-20.85%	-19.91%	-20.47%
Six Months	-21.71%	-23.28%	-21.96%	-22.74%	-21.70%	-22.28%
One Year	-19.85%	-21.45%	-20.15%	-20.95%	-19.65%	-20.41%
<b>Average Annualized Total Returns</b>						
Three Years	-3.55%	-4.19%	-3.92%	-3.92%	-3.34%	-3.78%

## (b) High Income Fund:

<b>Class of Shares</b>	<b>A</b>		<b>C</b>		<b>I</b>	<b>Average</b>
<b>Max Load/No Load</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Max</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Max</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Period ending</b>						
Quarter	-32.71%	-34.40%	-32.69%	-33.36%	-32.56%	-33.14%
Six Months	-34.56%	-36.19%	-34.62%	-35.27%	-34.37%	-35.00%
One Year	-32.96%	-34.63%	-33.19%	-33.85%	-32.68%	-33.46%
<b>Average Annualized Total Returns</b>						
Three Years	-6.69%	-7.48%	-7.14%	-7.14%	-6.45%	-6.98%

49. The Funds' respective performances, as compared with the performances of their peers for periods ended September 28, 2007, were magnitudes worse than all other comparable funds:

<b>Period ending</b>	<b>Inter-mediate Fund*</b>	<b>All Inter-mediate Bond Funds</b>	<b>High Income Fund*</b>	<b>All High Income Funds</b>
Quarter	-20.47%	2.20%	-33.14%	0
One Year	-20.41%	4.10%	-33.46%	7.00%

\* Average of load and no load classes A, C and I from tables in preceding paragraph.

Source: Wall Street Journal, October 2, 2007, page R3.

50. As of October 31, 2007, the High Income Fund's year-to-date performance was almost six times worse than the next poorest performing high income fund, was 26 times worse than the median fund, and was 56 times worse than the best performing fund; for one year, the High Income Fund's performance was even worse when compared to its peers:

<b>254 High Income Funds</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>
High Income Fund	-46.24%	-45.28%	-2.77%

All Other High Income Funds			
Lowest	-8.29%	-5.95%	--
Median	1.80%	3.75%	8.54%
Highest	10.71%	13.48%	14.14%

Source: <http://personal.fidelity.com/research/funds/?bar=s> (November 22, 2007).

51. The following table demonstrates that the High Income Fund was far worse than any of the other nine worst performing high income funds (of 254 such funds) for the year-to-date and one year periods:

Fund Name(all matching funds)	Load Adjusted Returns <sup>1</sup>		
	YTD	1 Yr ▲	5 Yr
RMK Select High Income CL A (MKHIX)	-46.24%	-45.28%	-2.77%
Integrity High Income CL A (IHFAF)	-8.29%	-5.95%	--
Integrity High Income CL C (IHFCX)	-5.69%	-3.38%	--
UBS High Yield CL B (BNHBX)	-2.17%	-0.77%	9.70%
SunAmerica High Yield CL A (SHNAX)	-2.30%	-0.41%	13.89%
American Cent High Yld CL B (ACYBX)	-2.12%	-0.24%	--
Columbia Conservative High Yield CL B (CHGBX)	-1.97%	-0.18%	5.60%
Summit High Yield Bond CL A (SFHIX)	-1.86%	-0.14%	11.28%
Oppenheimer Champion Income CL B (OCHBX)	-2.25%	0.13%	9.79%
UBS High Yield CL A (BNHYX)	-1.18%	0.17%	9.81%

Source: <http://personal.fidelity.com/research/funds/?bar=s> (November 22, 2007).

52. As of October 31, 2007, the Intermediate Fund's year-to-date performance was almost six times worse than the next poorest performing high income fund, was 26 times worse than the median fund, and was 56 times worse than the best performing fund; for one year, the High Income Fund's performance was even worse when compared to its peers:

440 Intermediate Bond Funds	Year to Date	One Year	Five Years
Intermediate Fund*	-43.24		-5.88
All Other High Income Funds			
Lowest	-6.25%	-4.93%	--
Median	1.97%	2.90%	6.91%

Highest	9.44%	10.20%	11.02%
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Source: <http://personal.fidelity.com/research/funds/?bar=s> (November 22, 2007), except regarding Intermediate Fund.

\* The Morgan Keegan Intermediate Fund is not included in the Fidelity intermediate bond fund screen; the data for Intermediate Fund is as of November 21, 2007 and is from Morningstar.com: <http://quicktake.morningstar.com/FundNet/Snapshot.aspx?Country=U.S.&pgid=hetopquote&Symbol=MKIBX>

53. The following table demonstrates that the Intermediate Fund was far worse than any of the ten worst performing intermediate bond funds (of 440 such funds) for the year-to-date and one year periods:

Fund Name(all matching funds)	Load Adjusted Returns <sup>1</sup>		
	YTD	1 Yr ▲	5 Yr
Intermediate Fund*	-43.24%		-5.88%
Principal Preferred Securities CL A (PPSAX)	-6.25%	-4.93%	--
SSgA Bond Market CL I (SSBMX)	-3.63%	-3.13%	2.33%
Columbia Income CL B (CIOBX)	-3.60%	-2.93%	4.80%
JP Morgan Bond CL B (JBDBX)	-3.58%	-3.17%	2.98%
SSgA Intermediate (SSINX)	-3.57%	-3.21%	1.83%
SSgA Bond Market CL R (SBMRX)	-3.53%	-3.23%	--
Security Diversified Income CL B (SUGBX)	-3.36%	-2.73%	1.99%
AIM Income CL B (ABIFX)	-3.23%	-3.04%	4.74%
Phoenix Insight Bond CL A (HTBZX)	-3.01%	-2.14%	2.40%
Hartford Income CL B (HTIBX)	-2.96%	-1.91%	4.52%

Source: <http://personal.fidelity.com/research/funds/?bar=s> (November 22, 2007).

\*The Morgan Keegan Intermediate Fund is not included in the Fidelity intermediate bond fund screen; the data is from Morningstar.com, whose website is identified in the preceding paragraph.

54. The following chart demonstrates the Intermediate Fund's performance in terms of the growth of \$10,000, as compared with a bond index and with all intermediate bond funds:

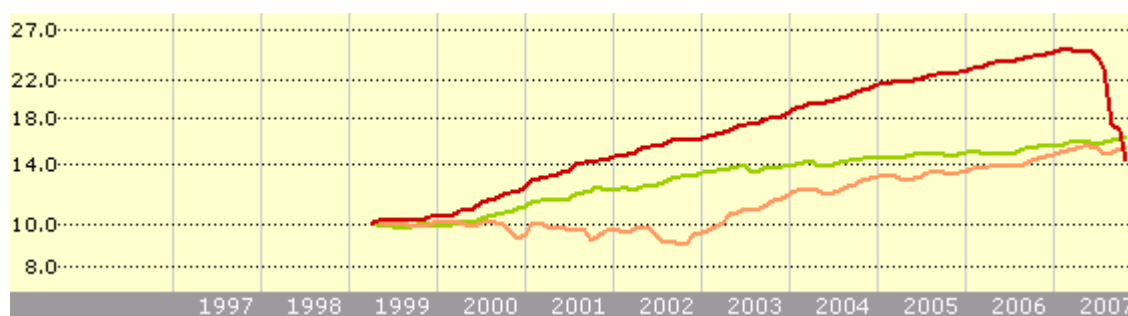


Orange (bottom) line: Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Total Return Index

Green (middle) line: Intermediate-Term Bond fund category.

Source: <http://quicktake.morningstar.com/FundNet/TotalReturns.aspx?Country=USA&Symbol=MKIBX>

55. The following chart demonstrates the High Income Fund's performance in terms of the growth of \$10,000, as compared with a bond index and with all high-yield bond funds:



Orange (bottom) line: Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Total Return Index

Green (middle) line: High-Yield Bond fund category.

Source: <http://quicktake.morningstar.com/FundNet/TotalReturns.aspx?Country=USA&Symbol=MKHIX>

### **THE FUNDS DID NOT LIMIT THEIR INVESTMENTS IN ILLIQUID SECURITIES, AS THEY SAID THEY WOULD**

56. The SEC guidelines provide that open-end registered investment companies not invest more than 15% of their portfolios in illiquid securities, guidance that the investment company industry interprets as an SEC requirement: "SEC policies require,

however, that no more than 15% of a mutual fund's net assets be illiquid (10% for money markets)." Investment Company Institute: Valuation and Liquidity Issues for Mutual Funds, February 1997 p. 41

57. As disclosed in their Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"), during the Class Period, the Funds were subject to a non-fundamental investment restriction prohibiting the Funds from purchasing "any security if, as a result, more than 15% of its net assets would be invested in securities that are illiquid because they are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale or because they cannot be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business at approximately the prices at which they are valued." With respect to this limitation, "if through a change in values, net assets, or other circumstances, a fund were in a position where more than 15% of its net assets was invested in illiquid securities, it would consider appropriate steps to protect liquidity."

58. A "non-fundamental" investment restriction is one that can be changed without shareholder approval but cannot be implemented without disclosing the change. A violation of a "fundamental" investment restriction is a violation of section 13 of the ICA. The Funds' adviser and directors can choose whether an investment restriction is "fundamental" or "non-fundamental."

59. The Funds did not disclose in their prospectus that they would invest more than 15% of their respective portfolios in illiquid securities; nor did they disclose that they did, or would, do so in contravention of the SEC's guidance or that they were prohibited from doing so by the "non-fundamental" investment restriction imposed on the Funds by the Funds' directors in compliance with what the investment company industry interprets as an SEC requirement.

60. This restriction could be changed without shareholder approval but any such change could not be implemented until disclosed. The restriction was not changed and was in effect during the entire Class Period.

61. Illiquid securities are those that “cannot be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business at approximately the prices at which they are valued.” SAI p. 6.

62. Defendants acknowledged that factors to be taken into account in determining liquidity include:

- (a) frequency of trades or quotes,
- (b) number of dealers willing to purchase or sell the instrument and the number of other potential purchases,
- (c) whether those dealers have undertaken to make a market in the instrument, and
- (d) nature of security (e.g., uniqueness) and the nature of the marketplace in which the instrument trades, including the time needed to dispose of the security, the method of soliciting offers, and the mechanics of transfer.

Funds’ Statement of Additional Information pp 29-30.

63. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are illiquid securities.

64. Fair-valued securities are those for which market quotations are not readily available. Fair valued securities are those that have not traded in significant volume for a substantial period. Fair valued securities are illiquid securities.

65. Illiquid securities must be fair valued.

66. Fair valued securities are thinly traded.



67. Thinly traded securities must be fair valued.

68. The SEC requires that open-end investment companies state the percentage of illiquid investments.

69. Securities that have not traded in significant volume for a substantial period are illiquid securities.

70. During the Class Period, many, if not most or all, of the structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested, did not regularly trade or were thinly traded. Such securities were, at the time they were purchased by the Funds and during the time they were held by the Funds, illiquid. Accordingly, the investments by the Funds in illiquid securities substantially exceeded 15% of their respective net assets, as a result of purchases by the Funds in violation of the Funds' own non-fundamental investment restriction and SEC guidance.

71. Neither Fund disclosed in their common prospectus that the Funds were exposed to liquidity risk: the risk that the Funds' exotic, new, untested structured securities traded in a thin market and were at risk of suddenly becoming unsalable at the prices at which they were being carried on the Funds' records because the small number of market makers might disappear, leaving the Funds with no one to buy their securities when they wanted to sell them.

72. The following table shows that, during the Class Period, the Funds held substantial amounts of securities that were fair valued (designated in the Funds' respective lists of portfolio investments in the 2007 annual report with an "(e)") and/or restricted (designated in the Funds' respective lists of portfolio investments in the June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007 annual and December 31, 2006 semi-annual reports with an "(a)") and were, therefore, illiquid securities:

	Intermediate Fund (000,000s)			High Income Fund (000,000s)		
	# secu- rities	\$	% based on \$ amount	# secu- rities	\$	% based on \$ amount
<b>June 30, 2007</b>						
Total Investments	181	\$1021	100.0	312	\$1046	100.0
Fair valued	98	\$ 515	50.4	172	\$ 626	59.8
Restricted	101	\$ 611	59.8	152	\$ 616	58.9
Both	72	\$ 425	41.6	123	\$ 473	45.2
<b>December 31, 2006</b>						
Total Investments	151	\$914	100.0	300	\$1243	100.0
Fair valued	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Restricted	81	\$512	56.0	132	\$ 644	51.8
Both	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>June 30, 2006</b>						
Total Investments	135	\$673.7	100.0	183	\$1193	100.0
Fair valued	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Restricted	79	\$382.3	56.7	100	\$ 564	47.3
Both	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>December 31, 2005</b>						
Total Investments						
Fair valued	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Restricted						
Both	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>June 30, 2005</b>						
Total Investments						
Fair valued	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Restricted						
Both	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>December 31, 2004</b>						
Total Investments						
Fair valued	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Restricted						
Both	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>June 30, 2004</b>						
Total Investments						
Fair valued	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Restricted						
Both	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

73. From the table in the preceding paragraph, most of the fair-valued securities were also restricted and most of the restricted securities were also fair-valued.

74. The Funds disclosed on October 3, 2007 that, as of June 30, 2006, and June 30, 2007, the Funds held securities that were fair valued and were, therefore, illiquid securities, as follows:

- (a) Intermediate Fund: 55.8% of its investment securities were fair valued at June 30, 2006, and 50.4% at June 30, 2007.
- (b) High Income Fund: 49.5% of its investment securities were fair valued at June 30, 2006, and 59.7% at June 30, 2007.

75. During the Class Period, a material percentage of each Fund's portfolio was invested in securities "subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale."

76. During its fiscal year 2006, the Intermediate Fund had net purchases of fair valued securities of \$184 million.

77. During its fiscal year 2006, the High Income Fund had net purchases of fair valued securities of \$107 million.

78. Based on the foregoing, the Funds purchased illiquid securities when more than 15% of the Funds' respective portfolios were illiquid, thus violating the Funds' own investment restriction that prohibited the Funds from making investments in illiquid securities in excess of 15% of the Funds' respective net assets.

79. The Funds' management knew, or should have known, of the illiquid nature of the high-yield corporate bonds that dominated the Funds' portfolios. AICPA Statement of Position ("SOP") 93-1, which provides guidance to auditors on financial accounting and reporting by registered investment companies for high-yield and exotic securities of the types in which the Funds invested, says the following about the liquidity of such securities:

- (a) The market for such securities "may not always be liquid."

- (b) “The market risk is often heightened by the absence of centralized high-yield bond exchanges and relatively thin trading markets, which make it more difficult to liquidate holdings quickly and increases the volatility of the market price.”
- (c) “Market-value risk for holders of high-yield debt securities is compounded by the relatively thin trading market in such securities, which increases price volatility and makes it difficult to liquidate holdings efficiently at any specific time. Determination of market prices is difficult given the illiquid or sometimes nonexistent trading market.”

80. Recognizing the need to maintain “liquidity and flexibility” as a “defensive tactic” in “unusual market conditions,” the Intermediate Fund disclosed that it would invest in investment-grade short-term securities. Contrary to this representation, the Intermediate Fund failed to invest in sufficient amounts of liquid investment-grade short-term securities to maintain the Fund’s requisite liquidity but instead excessively invested in illiquid securities.

#### **THE FUNDS’ UNCERTAIN NET ASSET VALUE**

81. Investment companies such as the Funds report their investment securities at value, which is defined as the quoted market price for securities for which market quotations are readily available. If market quotations are not readily available (where the fund is permitted to invest in securities for which market quotations are not readily available), they report an estimate of value (fair value) as determined in good faith by the board of directors.

82. The Funds repeatedly stated that they adhered to this practice. For example, in their June 30, 2006 annual report to shareholders and again in their December 31, 2006

semi-annual report to shareholders, in the footnotes to the financial statements, the Funds disclosed the following accounting policy:

. . . Long-term debt securities, including U. S. government securities, listed corporate bonds, other fixed income and asset-backed securities, and unlisted securities and private placement securities, are generally valued at the latest price furnished by an independent pricing service or primary market dealer. . . . Investments for which market quotations are not readily available, or available quotations which appear to not accurately reflect the current value of an investment, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Adviser's Valuation Committee using procedures established by and under the direction of the Company's Board of Directors. The values assigned to fair valued investments are based on available information and do not necessarily represent amounts that might ultimately be realized, since such amounts depend on future developments inherent in long-term investments. Further, because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, those estimated values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the investments existed, and the differences could be material.

83. Buried deep in their common prospectus, the Funds said:

. . . Long-term debt securities, including U.S. government securities, listed corporate bonds, other fixed income and asset-backed securities, and unlisted securities and private placement securities, are generally valued at the latest price furnished by an independent pricing service or primary market dealer. . . .

When price quotations for certain securities are not readily available or if the available quotations are not believed to be reflective of market value, those securities shall be valued at "fair value" as determined in good faith by the Adviser's Valuation Committee. Such determinations shall be made in accordance with procedures approved by the fund's Board. A fund may use the fair value of a security to calculate its NAV when, for example, . . . (3) a portfolio security is not traded in significant volume for a substantial period, or (4) the Adviser determines that the quotation or price for a portfolio security provided by a dealer or independent pricing services is inaccurate.

Funds' prospectus, dated November 3, 2006, page 40.

84. Because Morgan Management was unable to determine the values of a large portion of the Funds' securities, the Funds were unable to file and issue their annual report for their fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 by the required filing date of August 31, 2007.

85. Reuters reported on September 17, 2007, that the Funds could not file their annual reports for their fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, because their assets had been difficult to price due to the subprime mortgage crisis.

86. Because Morgan Management was unable to value a large portion of the Funds' portfolio, it engaged an "independent valuation consultant to assist in determining the fair value of certain of the Fund's portfolio securities."

87. In a prospectus supplement filed with the SEC by the Funds on August 13, 2007, the Funds disclosed the following:

***Liquidity and Valuation of Portfolio Securities.***

Recent instability in the markets for fixed income securities, particularly mortgagebacked and asset-backed securities, has affected the liquidity of the Fund's portfolio. In addition, the Fund has experienced significant net redemptions of its shares. It is uncertain how long and to what extent these conditions will continue.

Under current market conditions, many of the Fund's portfolio securities may be difficult to sell at a fair price when necessary to pay for redemptions from the Fund and for other purposes. This illiquidity of portfolio securities may result in the Fund incurring greater losses on the sale of some portfolio securities than under more stable market conditions. Such losses can adversely impact the Fund's net asset value per share. The Adviser and its affiliates may periodically purchase shares of the Fund or take other steps to provide liquidity but are not required to do so. Moreover, there is no assurance that these measures would be sufficient to avoid adverse impact on the Fund.

The current market instability has also made it more difficult to obtain realistic values for the Fund's portfolio securities based on market quotations. In the absence of reliable market quotations, portfolio securities are valued by the Adviser at their "fair value" under procedures

established and monitored by the Fund's Board of Directors. Fair valuation procedures are currently being used to value a substantial portion of the assets of the Fund. The "fair value" of securities may be difficult to determine and thus judgment plays a greater role in this valuation process. In light of the market instability and the complexity of fair value judgments, the Board of Directors has retained an independent valuation consultant to assist in determining the fair value of certain of the Fund's portfolio securities. For more information on fair valuation, consult the Prospectus section entitled "Account Policies – Calculating Share Price."

88. By letter to the Funds' shareholders on August 10, 2007, Defendant Kelsoe, the Funds' manager, stated the following:

So why is this happening, and what is the impact on our closed end and open end funds? In my opinion, the de-leveraging, or sell-off of securities, by hedge funds and other financial institutions has created an excessive supply of all types of fixed income securities. This oversupply has pressured the balance sheets of all of Wall Street such that bid/offer spreads have widened and liquidity has dramatically declined over the last 30 to 60 days. Not only is supply higher than demand, but it exceeds the capacity to take these fixed income securities. Additionally, the rating agencies' sudden and drastic actions in downgrading securities have exacerbated these problems by triggering covenant violations and margin calls and creating even more supply in a very thin market.

Just this week, we've learned that a number of mortgage companies are having major problems, including American Home Mortgage, C-Bass, Luminent Mortgage and, most recently, Home Bank. These are not sub-prime lenders, but they are still finding it difficult to get financing to originate loans. Their problems have a direct or indirect impact on the market for all mortgage securities due to their size in the loan origination and servicing arenas.

At the annual shareholder meeting for our closed end funds just four weeks ago, we talked about the distinction between Net Asset Value (NAV) and market value. At that time, market values on all the funds had dropped to be more in line with the underlying NAV, or market value of the securities held in the portfolio. In the past few weeks there has been more volatility and downward pressure on the NAVs as a result of the difficulties in valu-

ing these securities. Unlike stocks that trade openly on exchanges and whose value can easily be determined at any point of the day, mortgage-related securities and CDOs trade via individual bids and offers made on trading desks across Wall Street. As I mentioned earlier, the spreads between bid and offer prices continue to widen.

The lower valuations are no longer just showing up in the sub-prime mortgage securities as we have seen the pressure move further up the credit ladder to impact even AAA-rated bonds. Every fixed income security is subject to being devalued in this market, without regard to credit quality. Even bonds which continue to meet their payment schedules are under pricing pressure now. Commercial and corporate credit are feeling the crunch, and it is even beginning to touch stock values. As has been our practice with regard to the dividend, we will provide information to our board in the coming weeks in regard to the income expectations of the portfolios for the next few months.

89. By letter to the Funds' shareholders on November 7, 2007, Defendant Kelsoe, the Funds' manager, stated the following:

Certainly some sectors have been more affected than others; one example in the headlines are CDO's. A key component that drives CDO pricing is the likelihood that future cash flows will continue to be received by various credit layers of the CDO in a timely manner. Certain events, such as downgrades, can cause a CDO manager or trustee to view the likelihood of cash flows to be lower than previously expected. This potential loss of cash flow to the lower-rated tranches will obviously be a catalyst for weaker prices of the bonds from these tranches. And when these events take place in an already illiquid market, such as the current one, the downward pressure on market pricing is considerably magnified.

With all this as a backdrop, our portfolios have been pressured across the board. Many of our holdings are in the form of structured finance created with real-estate related securities as collateral; other areas of structured finance categories include corporate bonds and loans, equipment leases and commercial real estate. Even the asset classes that are performing well have been severely devalued due to the CDO packaging. We have no crystal ball of what the future holds but continue to diligently manage the portfolios in the difficult environment.



In an effort to publish information beneficial to our shareholders in this uncertain time below we have provided information to general questions related to the funds:

**What exactly do you invest in?**

Our investment objectives are clearly stated in the prospectus of each fund, but in general, we have always invested a large portion of our portfolios in “structured finance” fixed income securities. Without going into great detail explaining structured finance, it is a fair assumption to say the weakness in the portfolios relates to this area of investment. A large portion of structured finance securities are created with mortgage-related securities as the underlying collateral. In the current market, uncertainty regarding real estate has caused these securities to decline in value. To compound the problem the secondary market in which these securities trade has become very illiquid. The primary market makers in this space had been the large “wire house” broker/dealers. In the current environment the dealers are long (own) enormous amounts of these deals that they are still trying to sell. Suffice it to say, the main participants in the secondary market are all sellers at this point.

**The net asset values of the funds appear to decline everyday. Can you explain?**

Part of the explanation is in our answer above. The worries regarding the real estate market are weighing on the perceived value of the securities we hold. The illiquidity of the secondary market for many of the securities we hold also is a contributing factor to the declining net asset value. Like all financial markets there must be a buyer for every seller. In the current market, many of the normal dealers (many have been in the news taking write-downs on their balance sheets) that typically provide the trading liquidity of these securities are no longer providing such liquidity. In many cases where there is no trading activity, bonds fall into a vacuum and are valued based on models projecting future cash flows. There are no optimistic projections at this time!

90. The Funds’ portfolio manager attributes the Funds’ losses primarily to its investments in structured financial instruments when market sentiment for these securities turned negative and everyone was trying to sell these securities at the same time. Funds’ 2007 annual report pp. 15, 33.

91. The market dislocations to which Kelsoe and Morgan Management attribute the dramatic decline in the Funds' NAVs in the summer of 2007 had not occurred in 2006.

92. Defendants disclosed in the Funds' November 3, 2006 common prospectus the specifics relating to the fair valuation process, disclosing just how judgmental, subjective, and vague are the estimated values derived from the fair value pricing process:

Among the more specific factors that are considered by the Valuation Committee in determining the fair value of a security are: (1) type of security; (2) financial statements of the issuer; (3) cost at date of purchase (generally used for initial valuation); (4) for restricted securities, the discount from market value of unrestricted securities of the same class at the time of purchase; (5) the existence of a shelf registration for restricted securities; (6) information as to any transactions or offers with respect to the security; (7) special reports prepared by analysts; (8) the existence of merger proposals, tender offers or similar events affecting the security; (9) the price and extent of public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable companies; (10) the fundamental analytical data relating to the investment; (11) the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition of the securities; and (12) evaluation of the forces which influence the market in which these securities are purchased and sold.

93. In valuing the Funds' thinly traded securities, or securities for which no market quotations were readily available, those securities' lack of a liquid market and committed market makers, *inter alia*, should have been taken into account in valuing the Funds' portfolios.

94. During the Class Period, most if not all of the high-yield and structured securities purchased by the Funds were not traded on organized exchanges, and the terms of such securities were not standardized.

95. Throughout the Class Period, multiple market quotations (quotations based on actual sale/purchase transactions in the market for such securities) were not readily available

for most if not all of the high-yield and structured securities purchased by the Funds during the Class Period.

96. SOP 93-1 provides guidance to auditors of investment company financial statements on financial reporting by investment companies for high-yield debt securities held by them as investments.

97. The high-yield and structured securities held by the Funds were, at all times during the Class Period, “high-yield debt securities” within the meaning of SOP 93-1.

98. The market risk of the high-yield and structured securities in which the Funds invested is often heightened by the absence of centralized high-yield bond exchanges and relatively thin trading markets, which make it difficult to liquidate holdings quickly and efficiently at any specific time and increase the volatility of the market price. There is generally no centralized or regulated procedure for pricing the high-yield and structured securities in which the Funds invested. Determination of market prices is difficult given the illiquid or sometimes nonexistent trading market.

99. Because multiple market quotations were not readily available on most, if not all, days during the Class Period for most, if not all, of the high-yield and structured securities in which the Funds invested during the Class Period, the values of such securities were required to be estimated in good faith. Such good faith security value estimates present unique reporting problems.

100. Securities should be stated in financial statements at amounts that represent what could have been realized on a current sale. In the absence of bona fide offers to buy, those amounts are generally not determinable for securities that do not have readily ascertainable market values. The fair valuation procedures that funds’ boards of directors are

required to employ in such circumstances are designed to approximate the values that would have been established by market forces and are therefore subject to uncertainties.

101. The prices provided by the pricing service used by the Funds during the Class Period were estimates of value and were therefore subject to uncertainties.

102. Because of the Funds' uncertain net asset value and because of the unavailability of market quotations for the high-yield and structured securities held by the Funds, the Funds' published net asset value during the Class Period was materially misstated because of the failure to disclose the uncertainty thereof and the failure to disclose the materiality of such uncertainty by disclosing the significant proportion of the Funds' respective portfolios subject to such uncertainty.

103. The Funds' board of directors was required to satisfy itself that all relevant factors were considered in valuing the Funds' portfolio securities during the Class Period and that the method used to estimate value was acceptable. The Funds' board of directors did not satisfy itself either that all relevant factors were considered in valuing the Funds' portfolio securities or that the method used to estimate value was acceptable.

**THE FUNDS DID NOT LIMIT THEIR INVESTMENTS IN A SINGLE INDUSTRY, AS THEY SAID THEY WOULD**

104. The High Income Fund disclosed that Morgan Management, in managing the High Income Fund's portfolio, would "employ an active management approach that will emphasize the flexibility to allocate assets across a wide range of asset classes and thereby provide the advantages of a widely diversified high income portfolio. . . . In addition to the traditional below investment grade corporate market, the Adviser will strategically utilize asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed securities and other structured finance vehicles as well as convertible securities, preferred stock and other equity securities. The Adviser believes that the opportunity to acquire a diverse set of assets will contribute to higher total

returns and a **more stable net asset value** for the fund than would result from investing in a single sector of the debt market such as below investment grade corporate bonds. . . .” (emphasis supplied).

105. Recognizing the need to maintain “liquidity and flexibility” as a “defensive tactic” in “unusual market conditions,” the Intermediate Fund disclosed that it would invest in investment-grade short-term securities.

106. Neither Fund disclosed in their common prospectus that the Funds were exposed to concentration risk: the risk that a heavy concentration in a sector or in a type of fixed income security may result in a loss if that sector or type of security goes out of favor due to market sentiment or economic conditions, particularly if those securities trade in a thin market.

107. Neither Fund disclosed in their common prospectus that the Funds were exposed to liquidity risk: the risk that the Funds’ exotic, new, untested structured securities traded in a thin market and were at risk of suddenly becoming unsalable because the small number of market makers might disappear, leaving the Funds with no one to buy their securities when they want to sell them.

108. The Funds did not disclose in their common prospectus that they were subject to a “fundamental” investment restriction that prohibited them from investing more than 25% of the Fund’s total assets in the same industry. The Funds represented in their SAI that they “may not . . . [p]urchase the securities of any issuer (other than securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government or any of its agencies or instrumentalities) if, as a result, 25% or more of the fund’s total assets would be invested in the securities of companies whose principal business activities are in the same industry.”

109. A “fundamental” investment restriction is one that cannot be changed without shareholder approval. A violation of a “fundamental” investment restriction is a violation of section 13 of the ICA.

110. The Funds violated the investment restriction against investing more than 25% in the same industry by investing more than 25% of total assets in securities comprised of companies that are engaged in the mortgage loan industry, securities that are derivatives or packages of mortgage loans, and other securities dependent upon or related to the mortgage loan industry. For example, Bloomberg reports that, as of June 30, 2007, the asset allocation of the High Income Fund was as follows:

- Government securities 0.00%
- Corporate bonds 25.09%
- Mortgages 52.32%
- Preferred stock 5.91%
- Municipal bonds 0.01%
- Equity 11.57%
- Cash and other 5.09%

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- Government securities 0.11%
- Corporate bonds 41.65%
- Mortgages 54.71%

- Preferred stock 2.67%
- Municipal bonds 0.00%
- Equity 0.00%
- Cash and other 0.87%

112. In addition to impermissible industry concentration, the Funds' also suffered from an undisclosed concentration of credit risk in that the Funds' portfolios were heavily invested in structured financial instruments and in a single industry, which risk required financial statement disclosure under generally accepted accounting principles.

#### **WHAT CAUSED THE FUNDS' EXTRAORDINARY LOSSES**

113. The extraordinary declines in the Fund's respective net asset values, and the accompanying losses suffered by Plaintiffs and Class members, occurred because:

- (a) The Fund's assets were invested in violation of restrictions on the amount of illiquid securities in which the Fund was permitted to invest;
- (b) The Funds were not properly valuing their portfolio securities to take into account all relevant factors, including but not limited to the nature of the markets for such securities and the uncertainty inherent in the estimated values of such securities;
- (c) The valuations of the high-yield and structured securities in which the Fund invested were uncertain and such uncertainty was not disclosed to existing or prospective shareholders;
- (d) The Funds were heavily invested in illiquid or thinly traded high-yield and structured securities in concentrations exceeding what comparable funds held;
- (e) The Funds' investments exceeded the 25% limit on investments in a single industry;

- (f) The Funds' portfolios were exposed to concentrations of credit risk because of their heavy investments in CDOs; and
- (g) The structured financial instruments in which the Funds were substantially invested are relatively new instruments whose performance in adverse market conditions had not been tested.

114. If the Intermediate Fund (i) had pursued its investment objective of investing in intermediate maturity, investment grade bonds, (ii) had adhered to its disclosed investment restrictions on illiquid securities and investments in a single industry, (iii) had properly disclosed the uncertainty inherent in the estimated values of its portfolio securities and properly priced its portfolio securities to take into account such uncertainty, and/or (iv) had properly diversified its credit risk to avoid a risky concentration, the Fund's net asset value would not have plummeted as it did, and the Funds' shareholders would not have incurred the extraordinary losses they did incur.

115. If the High Income Fund (i) had adhered to its disclosed investment restrictions on illiquid securities and investments in a single industry, (ii) had properly disclosed the uncertainty inherent in the estimated values of its portfolio securities and properly priced its portfolio securities to take into account such uncertainty, and/or (iii) had properly diversified its credit risk to avoid a risky concentration, the Fund's net asset value would not have plummeted as it did, and the Funds' shareholders would not have incurred the losses they did incur.

116. If all of the Funds' shareholders had sought to redeem their shares in the respective Funds on or after October 3, 2007, they would not have received the published net asset value for that date or the NAV on the next date. Mass redemptions would have forced the mass liquidation of the Funds' respective portfolios, forcing the Funds to sell



portfolio securities at “fire sale prices” in a market that did not provide sufficient liquidity to allow all such securities to be sold at the prices at which they were carried by the Fund on said date.

### **DEFENDANTS’ MISREPRESENTATIONS AND OMISSIONS**

117. In connection with the offer and sale of the High Income Fund’s shares during the Class Period, the Defendants made the following representations in the Fund’s registration statements or amendments thereto, including prospectuses and statements of additional information, and in annual and semi-annual reports and other documents filed with the SEC during the Class Period and in sales materials:

- (a) The High Income Fund provided the potential for high current income from a broad range of asset classes;
- (b) The High Income Fund provided diversification across multiple fixed income asset classes;
- (c) The High Income Fund provided the potential for lower NAV volatility than typical high-yield funds;
- (d) The High Income Fund’s “relatively conservative credit posture . . . reflects our goal of higher yields without excessive credit risk”;
- (e) The High Income Fund would not invest solely in below-investment grade securities but would “strategically utilize asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed securities and other structured finance vehicles;”
- (f) The High Income Fund’s ability to “acquire a diverse set of assets will contribute to higher total returns and a more stable net asset value for the fund than would result from investing in a single sector of the debt market such as below investment grade corporate bonds;”

- (g) The High Income Fund would not purchase any security if , after the purchase thereof, more than 15% of the Fund's portfolio consisted of illiquid securities;
- (h) The Fund could not invest more than 25% of its net worth in a single industry.

118. The representations and disclosures in the preceding paragraph were false or misleading in that they painted a false picture of the High Income Fund as a fund whose net asset value was subject to only limited fluctuation and for failing to disclose the following:

- (a) The broad range of asset classes included a heavy concentration in relatively new structured financial instruments that were untested in adverse market conditions;
- (b) The “multiple fixed income asset classes” included a extraordinary concentration in relatively new structured financial instruments that were untested in adverse market conditions;
- (c) Contrary to the disclosed representation that the Fund provided the potential for lower NAV volatility than typical high-yield funds, the High Income Fund's heavy concentration in relatively new untested structured financial instruments meant that the Fund provided the undisclosed potential of extraordinarily higher NAV volatility than typical high-yield funds;
- (d) The High Income Fund's heavy concentration in relatively new untested thinly traded (i.e., illiquid) structured financial instruments meant that the Fund's purported “relatively conservative credit posture” and purported absence of “excessive credit risk” did not protect the Fund's

shareholders from the concealed risk embedded in the Fund's portfolio of catastrophic losses as a result of its investments in such instruments;

- (e) The disclosed High Income Fund's "strategic use" of asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed securities and other structured finance vehicles to supplement its investments in below-investment grade securities resulted in an undisclosed extraordinarily heavy concentration in thinly traded illiquid securities whose estimated values were highly uncertain;
- (f) The disclosed High Income Fund's "strategic use" of asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed securities and other structured finance vehicles to supplement its investments in below-investment grade securities resulted in an undisclosed extraordinarily heavy concentration of credit risk;
- (g) The disclosed High Income Fund's ability to "acquire a diverse set of assets [that] will contribute to higher total returns and a more stable net asset value for the fund than would result from investing in a single sector of the debt market such as below investment grade corporate bonds" did not, in fact, contribute to a more stable net asset value but to an unconcealed potential highly unstable net asset value as a result of the Fund's extraordinarily heavy concentration in thinly traded structured financial instruments;
- (h) The High Income Fund purchased illiquid securities where, after the purchase thereof, more than 15% of the Fund's portfolio consisted of illiquid securities.

- (i) The Fund could not invest more than 25% of its net worth in a single industry.

119. In connection with the offer and sale of the Intermediate Fund's shares, during the Class Period, the Defendants made the following representations in the Fund's registration statements or amendments thereto, including prospectuses and statements of additional information and in annual and semi-annual reports and other documents filed with the SEC during the Class Period and in sales materials:

- (a) The Intermediate Fund would invest primarily in intermediate maturity, investment grade bonds;
- (b) For liquidity and flexibility, the Intermediate Fund may invest in investment grade, short-term securities;
- (c) The Intermediate Fund provides a higher level of current income than typical money market investments;
- (d) The Intermediate Fund provides a diversified portfolio of mostly investment-grade debt instruments, with some exposure to below-investment-grade assets;
- (e) The Intermediate Fund focuses on "undervalued" and "out-of-favor" sectors and securities, "which still have solid credit fundamentals;"
- (f) Because "the single best way to reduce the risk of any portfolio is through adequate diversification," the Intermediate Fund's "portfolio is diversified not only with regard to issuer, but also industry, security type and maturity."
- (g) The Intermediate Fund "does not invest in speculative derivatives;"

- (h) As a fixed income fund, the Intermediate Fund offered “Consistent, Periodic Income through a monthly distribution of interest payments. . . . [allowing] investors to more accurately plan investment cash flows and provides steady income to those who need it,” recognizing the importance of income to investors in the Intermediate Fund;
- (i) The Intermediate Fund would not purchase any security if, after the purchase thereof, more than 15% of the Fund’s portfolio consisted of illiquid securities.
- (j) The Intermediate Fund could not invest more than 25% of its net worth in a single industry.

120. The representations and disclosures in the preceding paragraph were false and misleading in that they painted a false picture of the Intermediate Fund as a fund whose net asset value was subject to only limited fluctuation and for failing to disclose the following:

- (a) While the Intermediate Fund did invest primarily in intermediate maturity, investment grade bonds, it invested heavily in structured financial instruments that held risks that were not disclosed, including but not limited to liquidity and valuation risks;
- (b) The Intermediate Fund did not invest in investment grade, short-term securities to maintain the Fund’s liquidity and flexibility, or failed to do so in amounts prudent but instead heavily invested in illiquid securities;
- (c) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund provides a higher level of current income than typical money market investments, Defendants inferred that the Intermediate Fund provided safety that was comparable to that of a money market fund while failing to disclose the

risks embedded in a portfolio heavily invested in illiquid securities of uncertain valuation that had not been tested in adverse market conditions;

- (d) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund provides a diversified portfolio of mostly investment-grade debt instruments, with some exposure to below-investment-grade assets, Defendants failed to disclose the risks embedded in a portfolio heavily invested in illiquid securities of uncertain valuation that had not been tested in adverse market conditions;
- (e) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund focuses on “undervalued” and “out-of-favor” sectors and securities, “which still have solid credit fundamentals,” Defendants failed to disclose the risks embedded in a portfolio heavily invested in illiquid securities of uncertain valuation that had not been tested in adverse market conditions;
- (f) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund’s “portfolio is diversified not only with regard to issuer, but also industry, security type and maturity,” Defendants failed to disclose the risks embedded in a portfolio heavily invested in illiquid securities of uncertain valuation that had not been tested in adverse market conditions;
- (g) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund’s “portfolio is diversified not only with regard to issuer, but also industry, security type and maturity,” Defendants failed to disclose the extraordinarily heavy concentration of credit risk;

- (h) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund “does not invest in speculative derivatives,” Defendants failed to disclose the risks embedded in a portfolio heavily invested in illiquid securities of uncertain valuation that had not been tested in adverse market conditions;
- (i) Regarding their recognition that investors in the Intermediate Fund are fixed income investors who would rely on the Fund for income, Defendants failed to disclose the risks embedded in a portfolio heavily invested in illiquid securities of uncertain valuation that had not been tested in adverse market conditions;
- (j) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund would not purchase any security if, after the purchase thereof, more than 15% of the Fund’s portfolio consisted of illiquid securities, the Fund failed to adhere to this limitation.
- (k) Regarding the representation that the Intermediate Fund could not invest more than 25% of its net assets in a single industry, the Fund failed to adhere to this limitation.

121. Both Funds disclosed in their prospectus:

. . . Long-term debt securities, including U.S. government securities, listed corporate bonds, other fixed income and asset-backed securities, and unlisted securities and private placement securities, are generally valued at the latest price furnished by an independent pricing service or primary market dealer. Short-term debt securities with remaining maturities of more than sixty days for which market quotations are readily available shall be valued by an independent pricing service or primary market dealer. Short-term debt securities with remaining maturities of sixty days or less shall be valued at cost with interest accrued or discount accreted to the date of maturity, unless such valuation, in the judgment of the Ad-

viser, does not represent market value. Investments in open-end registered investment companies are valued at net asset value as described in those investment companies' prospectuses.

When price quotations for certain securities are not readily available or if the available quotations are not believed to be reflective of market value, those securities shall be valued at "fair value" as determined in good faith by the Adviser's Valuation Committee. Such determinations shall be made in accordance with procedures approved by the fund's Board. A fund may use the fair value of a security to calculate its NAV when, for example, (1) a portfolio security is not traded in a public market or the principal market in which the security trades is closed, (2) trading in a portfolio security is suspended and not resumed prior to the normal market close, (3) a portfolio security is not traded in significant volume for a substantial period, or (4) the Adviser determines that the quotation or price for a portfolio security provided by a dealer or independent pricing services is inaccurate.

Among the more specific factors that should be considered by the Valuation Committee in determining the fair value of a security are: (1) type of security; (2) financial statements of the issuer; (3) cost at date of purchase (generally used for initial valuation); (4) size of the Fund's holding; (5) for restricted securities, and discount from market value of unrestricted securities of the same class at the time of purchase; (6) the existence of a shelf registration for restricted securities; (7) information as to any transactions or offers with respect to the security; (8) special reports prepared by analysts; (9) the existence of merger proposals, tender offers or similar events affecting the security; (10) the price and extent of public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable companies (11) the fundamental analytical data relating to the investment; (12) the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition of the securities; and (13) and evaluation of the forces which influence the market in which these securities are purchased and sold.

There can be no assurance that a fund could purchase or sell a portfolio security at the price used to calculate the fund's NAV. In the case of "fair valued" portfolio securities, lack of information and uncertainty as to the significance of information may lead to a conclusion that a prior valuation is the best indication of a portfolio security's present value. Fair valuations generally remain unchanged until new information becomes available. Consequently, changes in the fair valuation of portfolio



securities may be less frequent and of greater magnitude than changes in the price of portfolio securities valued at their last sale price, by an independent pricing service, or based on market quotations.

November 3, 2006 Prospectus, pp. 40-41.

122. In making the disclosure recited in the preceding paragraph, the Funds failed to disclose that:

- (a) The disclosure is ambiguous regarding whether pricing service valuations are based on, or are deemed to be the same as, readily available market quotations or are based on estimated values and, therefore, the extent to which the valuation of portfolio securities is not based on readily available market quotations but on estimated values;
- (b) The risks regarding estimated valuations of thinly traded (i.e., illiquid) structured financial instruments;
- (c) The fair valuation process necessarily involved estimated values;
- (d) The uncertainty inherent in estimated values; and
- (e) As much as half or more of their respective portfolios were invested in securities that were subject to the uncertainty inherent in the estimated values of those thinly traded securities, subjecting the Funds to the risk of catastrophic losses.

123. Defendants' partial disclosure in the Funds' SAI (but not in their prospectuses or selling materials) of the liquidity and other risks regarding the below-investment grade securities in which the Funds invested (but not the structured financial instruments in which the Funds heavily invested) is irrelevant herein and misleading because Defendants did not disclose in the Funds' prospectuses, SAI or selling materials that the structured financial instruments in which both Funds heavily invested were likewise:

- (a) Subject to such risks, including liquidity risk,

- (b) Subject to the risk that such instruments are subject to adverse publicity and changing investor perceptions and sentiments might affect the liquidity of such instruments and the ability of pricing services to value such securities,
- (c) Traded in a market that is much thinner and less active than that for more conventional fixed income securities, which can adversely affect the prices of such instruments,
- (d) Because market quotations were not readily available for most, if not all, of such securities during most, if not all, of the Class Period, subject to “fair value” procedures, involved judgment and significant uncertainty, rendering the Funds’ respective NAVs during the Class Period highly uncertain;
- (e) Were relatively new types of debt securities that had not been tested in adverse market conditions, even though similar types of newly created fixed income securities had in the past shown a propensity to collapse in adverse market conditions;
- (f) Up to half or more of the Funds’ portfolio consisted of securities that exhibited the characteristics of illiquid securities and could suddenly become unsalable before the Funds could sell them at the prices at which they were being carried on the Funds’ records;
- (g) Because up to half or more of the Funds’ portfolio consisted of securities that exhibited such characteristics, the value thereof could suddenly, and without warning, drop precipitously;

- (h) The investments in a single industry in excess of the 25% limit on such investments; and
- (i) The concentration of credit risk.

124. Defendants stated in the Funds' SAI, but not in the Funds' prospectuses or sales materials, some of the risks created by illiquid securities generally without regard to specific types of securities:

Illiquid investments are investments that cannot be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business at approximately the prices at which they are valued. Under the supervision of the Board, the Adviser determines the liquidity of each fund's investments and, through reports from the Adviser, the Board monitors investments in illiquid instruments. In determining the liquidity of each fund's investments, the Adviser may consider various factors, including (1) the frequency of trades and quotations, (2) the number of dealers and prospective purchasers in the marketplace, (3) dealer undertakings to make a market, (4) the nature of the security (including any demand or tender features), and (5) the nature of the marketplace for trades (including the ability to assign or offset the fund's rights and obligations relating to the investment). Investments currently considered by the Adviser to be illiquid include repurchase agreements not entitling the holder to repayment of principal and payment of interest within seven days, non-government stripped fixed-rate mortgage-backed securities, and OTC options. Also, the Adviser may determine some restricted securities, government-stripped fixed-rate mortgage-backed securities, loans and other direct debt instruments, emerging market securities, and swap agreements to be illiquid. However, with respect to OTC options that the funds write, all or a portion of the value of the underlying instrument may be illiquid depending on the assets held to cover the option and the nature and terms of any agreement the funds may have to close out the option before expiration. In the absence of market quotations, illiquid investments are priced at fair value as determined in good faith by a committee appointed by the Board.

Illiquid securities may be difficult to dispose of at a fair price at the times when either fund believes it is desirable to do so. The market price of illiquid securities generally is more volatile than that of more liquid securities, which may adversely affect the price that each fund pays for or recovers upon the sale of illiquid securities. Illiquid securities are also more difficult to value and thus the Adviser's judgment plays a greater role in the valuation process. Investment of each fund's assets in illiquid securities may restrict each fund's ability to take advantage of market opportunities. The risks associated with illiquid securities may be particularly acute in situations in which each fund's operations require cash and could result in each fund borrowing to meet its short-term needs or incurring losses on the sale of illiquid securities.

November 1, 2006 Statement of Additional Information pp. 28-29.

125. Materially omitted from Defendants' SAI disclosures described in the preceding paragraph, which disclosures did not appear in the Funds' prospectuses or selling materials, were the following facts and conditions of the Funds' portfolios:

- (a) The Funds were heavily invested in illiquid securities or in thinly traded securities that were highly susceptible to suddenly becoming unsalable without allowing time to sell them at the prices at which they were being carried on the Funds' records;
- (b) The proportions of the Funds' respective portfolios that were subject to the disclosed difficult and judgmental valuation process;
- (c) The valuation uncertainty inherent in the process of valuing illiquid securities and the resulting uncertainty of the Funds' NAV in light of the extraordinarily large proportion of the Funds' respective portfolios subject to such uncertainty.

126. Defendants' misrepresentations regarding the High Income Fund's stable NAV were consistent with and reinforced by the Fund's reported NAV during the Fund's fiscal years

ended June 30, 2002 through June 30, 2006, as disclosed in the High Income Fund's prospectuses under "Financial Highlights," during which period the Fund's NAV changed by only \$0.14, from \$10.42 to \$10.56, or 1.33% over the five-year period, versus \$0.46 for the Intermediate Fund, from \$9.93 to \$10.39, or 4.5% over the same period, and versus \$0.30 for the Short-Term Bond Fund, from \$9.94 to \$10.24, or 2.97% over the same period. From the disclosures set forth above, the Fund's historic NAV and the Financial Highlights, a reasonable investor would conclude that the High Income Fund was relatively safe with a stable NAV and was not subject to the risk of the extraordinary decline suffered by the High Income Fund. See paragraphs 212-14 below.

127. Defendants' misrepresentations regarding the Intermediate Fund's relative safety (see preceding paragraph 126) were consistent with and reinforced by the Fund's reported NAV during the Fund's fiscal years ended June 30, 2002 through June 30, 2006, as disclosed in the Intermediate Fund's prospectuses under "Financial Highlights," during which period the Fund's NAV changed by only \$0.46 for the Intermediate Fund, from \$9.93 to \$10.39, or 4.5% over the same period. From the disclosures set forth above, the Fund's historic NAV and the Financial Highlights, a reasonable investor would conclude that the Intermediate Fund was relatively safe with a stable NAV and was not subject to the risk of the extraordinary decline suffered by the Intermediate Fund.

128. With respect to both Funds, the representations set forth above were false and misleading in that Defendants failed to disclose:

- (a) That the Funds' performance during the Class Period before the catastrophic decline in their respective NAVs was attributable to taking significant risks not taken by comparable funds;

- (b) That the Funds' performance, as compared with comparable funds, during the Class Period preceding the declines in the Funds' NAVs was attributable to their excessive investments in illiquid and untested securities whose valuations were uncertain;
- (c) That the Funds' performance, as compared with comparable funds, during the Class Period preceding the declines in the Funds' NAVs was attributable to their excessive investments in illiquid securities in violation of their disclosed limitation of such investments;
- (d) That the level of the Funds' income and source of dividends were attributable to their excessive investment in illiquid and untested securities whose valuations were uncertain;
- (e) That, because of its excessive investments in illiquid and untested securities whose valuations were uncertain, the Funds were far more risky than disclosed;
- (f) That the valuation of an undisclosed but substantial portion of the Funds' respective portfolio securities, and therefore their respective NAVs, was based on mere estimates and, therefore, was subject to substantial uncertainty, rendering their respective NAVs highly uncertain;
- (g) That, because of their excessive investments in illiquid and untested securities, whose valuations were uncertain, the Funds' respective advertised NAVs were vulnerable to a precipitous decline as a result of adjusting the Funds' valuations to reflect sudden changes in the market

conditions relating to such securities and the Funds' inability to sell such securities to raise needed cash;

- (h) That, given the Funds' excessive investments in illiquid and untested securities whose valuations were uncertain, an investment in the Funds was subject to significantly greater risk than an investment in comparable intermediate term or high income bond mutual funds;
- (i) That, given the extent of the Funds' excessive investments in illiquid and untested securities whose valuations were uncertain, Defendants had no reasonable basis for their representations that they believed that limited or a stable NAV fluctuation could be achieved;
- (j) That the Funds were, respectively, investing more than 15 percent of their net assets in illiquid and untested securities;
- (k) That the Funds were, respectively, investing more than 25% of their net assets in a single industry;
- (l) That the Funds were exposed to a concentration of credit risk.
- (m) That, as a result of such investment practices, the Funds were much riskier than the indices with which the MK Defendants compared the Funds' respective performances;
- (n) The extent to which the Funds' respective yields and dividends during the Class Period, as compared with comparable mutual funds, were dependent on the Funds' excessive investments in illiquid and untested securities whose valuations were uncertain; and
- (o) The extent to which the Funds' respective yields and dividend during the Class Period, as compared with comparable mutual funds, were

dependent on investment policies and practices that were inconsistent with limited NAV fluctuation and that subjected shareholders in the Funds to risk and volatility substantially greater than those of comparable bond mutual funds.

129. The Funds' generalized and partial and incomplete risk disclosures in its prospectuses, its annual and semi-annual reports, and elsewhere, which were substantially uniform throughout the Class Period, were negated and rendered immaterial and meaningless:

- (a) By the specific disclosures relating to stable NAVs, "lower NAV volatility than typical high-yield funds," "conservative credit posture," avoiding "excessive credit risk," diversification by investing in assets other than below investment-grade bonds (including the structured financial instruments that were a significant cause of the Funds' losses), "solid credit fundamentals," and, with respect to the Intermediate Fund, avoiding "speculative derivative;"
- (b) By the financial performance of the Funds as reflected in their historic stable NAVs until July through November 2007 and as reflected in the "Financial Highlights" disclosed in the Fund's prospectuses throughout the Class Period;
- (c) By the failure to disclose the matters set forth in the preceding paragraph 128 and in paragraphs 118, 120, 122 and 261;
- (d) As a result of the Funds' failures to disclose in their respective financial statements, or the footnotes thereto, the valuation uncertainty inherent in the Funds' respective NAVs;



- (e) By comparing the Funds' respective performances with intermediate and high income bond indices; and
- (f) By the MK Defendants repeatedly comparing the Funds' respective performances with, respectively, the Lehman Brothers Intermediate U.S. Aggregate Index and the Lehman Brothers Ba U.S. High Yield Index, implying, in the absence of a contrary disclosure, that the Funds were comparable in risk to such indices, without disclosing the unique risks embedded in the Funds that differentiated the Funds from their respective indices, as set forth above.

**PWC'S REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES –  
GENERALLY**

130. In connection with its audits of the Funds' June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006 annual financial statements and reports thereon, its reviews of the Funds' December 31, 2004, 2005 and 2006 semi-annual financial statements, its issuance of reports on the Funds' internal controls, and its affirmance of the information in the Funds' several prospectuses that was derived from the Funds' audited financial statements, PwC was required by SEC rules and regulations and by generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and generally accepted auditing standards ("GAAS") to know about: their failure to use valuation methods required by SEC rules and regulations and the required attendant disclosures, GAAP, and by the Funds' disclosures; the uncertain valuations of the illiquid and untested structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested and attendant required disclosures; and the Funds' noncompliance with the limitations on illiquid securities and investments in a single industry and attendant required disclosures.

131. The form and content of, and requirements for, financial statements of registered investment companies such as the Funds are governed by SEC Regulation S-X

and the interpretive releases (Accounting Series Releases) relating thereto. The Accounting Series Releases, or “ASRs,” have been codified into the SEC’s Codification of Financial Reporting Policies (“Codification”).

132. The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“AICPA”) *Audit and Accounting Guide, Audits of Investment Companies* (“AICPA Guide”) is an authoritative source that sets forth recommendations of the AICPA Investment Companies Special Committee on the application of GAAS to audits of financial statements of investment companies. The AICPA Guide also presents the committee’s recommendations on and descriptions of financial accounting and reporting principles and practices for investment companies.

133. The AICPA Guide is consistent with the standards and principles covered by Rules 202 and 203 of the AICPA Code of Professional Conduct.

134. The AICPA Guide applicable to PwC’s audit of the Funds’ 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements was the Guide that reflected relevant guidance contained in authoritative pronouncements through May 1, 2007.

135. Where the AICPA Guide is applicable, PwC auditors who audited the Funds’ annual financial statements should have used the accounting treatments specified s by the AICPA Guide to use it or be prepared to justify another treatment, as discussed in paragraph 7 of SAS No. 69.

136. The AICPA Guide did not describe all auditing procedures necessary to perform an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The Guide was not intended to limit or supplant the PwC auditors’ individual judgment, initiative, imagination, or vigilance. Programs for each audit should be designed to meet its particular

requirements, considering the size and kind of organization and the adequacy of internal control and risk management.

137. Statements of Position of the AICPA Accounting Standards Division present the conclusions of at least two-thirds of the Accounting Standards Executive Committee, which is the senior technical body of the AICPA authorized to speak for the Institute in the areas of financial accounting and reporting. Statement on Auditing Standards No. 69, *The Meaning of Present Fairly in Conformity With Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the Independent Auditor's Report*, identifies AICPA Statements of Position as sources of established accounting principles that an AICPA member should consider if the accounting treatment of a transaction or event is not specified by a pronouncement covered by Rule 203 of the AICPA Code of Professional Conduct. In such circumstances, the accounting treatment specified by AICPA Statement of Position (“SOP”) 93-1 should be used, or the member should be prepared to justify a conclusion that another treatment better presents the substance of the transaction in the circumstances.

138. With respect to PwC’s audits of the Funds’ 2004, 2005 and 2006 annual financial statements, SOP 93-1 provided guidance on the Funds’ financial reporting for the high-yield untested illiquid structured financial instruments held by them as investments. SOP 93-1 recommended procedures to be considered by PwC for reviewing the valuations of the Funds’ investments reported in the Funds’ financial statements.

139. SEC Codification § 404.03.a. provides:

Where the propriety or validity of an investment in a security by an investment company is questionable because of particular provisions of the Investment Company Act, or state law, or the company’s investment policy or other representations as stated in its filings with the Commission, or legal obligations in respect of a contract or transaction, a written opinion of legal counsel should also be obtained by the company’s management, made available to the independent accountant, and a copy included in the

working papers. If the questions of propriety or validity are not satisfactorily resolved, the circumstances of the investment should be disclosed in the financial statements or notes thereto.

140. The Funds issued semi-annual reports, including financial statements that reported the Funds' net asset value, as of December 31, 2004, 2005 and 2006. Such financial statements should be complete and based on generally accepted accounting principles, which should conform to the principles used in preparing the Funds' annual financial statements.

141. It is customary for auditors to review registered investment companies' interim financial statements. PwC reviewed the Funds' semi-annual financial statements as of December 31, 2004, 2005 and 2006.

142. Investment companies are grouped according to their primary investment objectives, and the types of investments made by those funds reflect their stated objectives. The composition of an investment company's portfolio is primarily a function of the company's investment objectives and its market strategy to achieve them.

143. The AICPA Guide provides that, before starting an audit of an investment company's financial statements, an auditor is to be familiar with, *inter alia*, the fund's business and operating characteristics, its industry generally, applicable statutes and regulations, SEC registration and reporting forms, the statistics that should be maintained by investment companies and the sources of such data, the company's investment objective and limitations and restrictions, and SEC Form N-SAR (a reporting form used by registered investment companies for semiannual and annual reports that provides current information and demonstrates compliance with the ICA).

144. The second standard of auditing fieldwork, part of generally accepted auditing standards, states that "A sufficient understanding of internal control is to be obtained to plan

the audit and to determine the nature, timing, and extent of tests to be performed.” SEC Form N-SAR required PwC, as the auditor of the Funds’ financial statements, to report annually to the SEC and to the Funds’ directors and shareholders on the Funds’ internal control.

145. According to the AICPA Guide, in its consideration of the Funds’ internal control structure and whether that structure ensured compliance with the Funds’ investment policies and restrictions, PwC should have reviewed such relevant Fund documents as the most recent prospectus, compliance items reported in the annual N-SAR report to the SEC, and other publicly filed documents, certificate of incorporation, bylaws, and minutes of board and audit committee meetings.

**PwC’S REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES – PRICING AND VALUATION OF THE FUNDS’ STRUCTURED FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

146. The AICPA Guide, citing ICA Rule 22c-1, informed the PwC auditors working on the audits of the Funds’ financial statements that, under the ICA, open-end investment companies offering their shares to the public continuously are required to compute net asset value per share daily to price shares redeemed and sold. SOP 93-1 advised PwC auditors to consider reviewing the methods used by management to determine and update daily prices and the consistency of these methods from period to period and across similar securities.

147. With respect to the fair valuation of securities for which market quotations are not readily available, the AICPA Guide makes clear such fair valuations are estimates, providing: .”

- 2.33 Situations may arise when quoted market prices are not readily available or when market quotations are available but it is questionable whether they represent fair value. Examples include instances when—

- Market quotations and transactions are infrequent and the most recent quotations and transactions occurred substantially prior to the valuation date.
- The market for the security is “thin” (that is, there are few transactions or market makers in the security, the spread between the bid and asked prices is large, and price quotations vary substantially either over time or among individual market makers).
- . . .

Similar circumstances may also affect the appropriateness of valuations supplied by pricing services. Situations such as those above are expected to be rare but may occur. In those cases, an investment company may establish a policy to substitute a good faith estimate of fair value for the quoted market price or pricing service valuation. Any policy adopted should consistently applied in all situations where significant pricing differences are determined to exist.

2.34 In December 2003, the SEC adopted new Rule 38a-1 under the 1940 Act that requires registered investment companies . . . . to adopt policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent violation of federal securities laws. . . . the SEC stated that Rule 38-1 “requires funds to adopt policies and procedures that require the fund to monitor for circumstances that may necessitate the use of fair value prices; establish criteria for determining when market quotations are no longer reliable for a particular portfolio security; provide a methodology or methodologies by which the fund determines the current fair value of the portfolio security; and regularly review the appropriateness and accuracy of the method used in valuing securities, and make any necessary adjustments.”. . . . Further. . . . the SEC adopted rules which require investment companies . . . . to provide a brief explanation in their prospectuses of the circumstances under which they will use fair value prices and the effects of fair value pricing.

2.35 *Estimating Fair Values of Investments.* The SEC’s *Codification of Financial Reporting Policies* provides guidance on the factors to be considered in, and on the responsibilities for and methods used for, the valuation of securities for which market quotations

are not readily available [footnote citing Codification §§ 404.03 and 404.04]. . . .

2.36 The objective of the estimating procedures is to state the securities at the amount at which they could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced liquidation sale. The term current transaction means realization in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period. All relevant factors should be considered in selecting the method of estimating in good faith the fair value of each kind of security.

2.37 In estimating in good faith the fair value of a particular financial instrument, the board or its designee (the valuation committee) should, to the extent necessary, take into consideration all indications of fair value that are available. . . .[some of which are] the factors to be considered:

- Financial standing of the issuer
- Business and financial plan of the issuer and comparison of actual results with the plan
- Size of position held and the liquidity of the market
- Contractual restrictions on disposition
- Reported prices and the extent of public trading in similar financial instruments of the issuer or comparable companies
- Ability of the issuer to obtain needed financing
- Changes in the economic conditions affecting the issuer
- A recent purchase or sale of a security of the company
- Pricing by other dealers in similar securities
- Financial statements of investees

2.38 No single method exists for estimating fair value in good faith because fair value depends on the facts and circumstances of each individual case. Valuation methods may be based on a . . . discount or premium from market, of a similar, freely traded security of the same issuer; on a yield to maturity with respect to debt issues; or on a combination of these and other methods. In addition, with respect to derivative products, other factors (such

as volatility, interest . . . and term to maturity) should be considered. The board of directors should be satisfied, however, that the method used to estimate fair value in good faith is reasonable and appropriate and that the resulting valuation is representative of fair value.

- 2.39 The information considered and the basis for the valuation decision should be documented, and the supporting data should be retained. The board may appoint individuals to assist it in the estimation process and to make the necessary calculations. . . . If considered material, the circumstances surrounding the substitution of good faith estimates of fair value for market quotations or pricing service valuations should be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. . . .

148. The AICPA Guide provides that the audit of an investment company's investment accounts is a significant portion of the overall audit because of the relative significance of those accounts and of the related income accounts. In auditing the Funds' investment accounts, PwC should have considered the Funds' transactions with brokers and pricing services.

149. PwC's principal objectives in auditing the Funds' investment accounts during the Class Period were to determine, *inter alia*, whether there was a reasonable assurance that the Funds' portfolio investments were properly valued.

150. PwC knew that, because the fee paid by an investment company to its adviser to manage its portfolio is a percentage of the value of the portfolio and because of the pressures on portfolio managers to achieve significant above average performance in a highly competitive industry to attract additional investment dollars, a risk inherent in the valuation of portfolio securities by the management of the investment company is that management has an incentive to err on the high side when valuing portfolio securities. It is in part because of this incentive that auditors must be especially vigilant when auditing



valuations of portfolio securities in the course of their audits of an investment company's financial statements.

151. PwC was required to confirm that the prices used by the Funds to value their portfolio securities were reasonable.

152. PwC was required to test the Funds' respective net asset values as computed on the Funds' price makeup sheets at the date of the Funds' financial statements and on selected interim dates. Such tests should have included procedures that, *inter alia*, traced quoted market prices to independent sources and, when independent sources were not available, to supporting documentation for investments stated at fair values, as determined by the board of directors.

153. PwC was required to ascertain whether the pricing and valuation procedures used by the Funds complied with the disclosed accounting policies, applicable SEC rules and regulations, and generally accepted accounting principles.

154. With respect to the Funds' use of dealers or pricing services to value the Funds' securities, PwC was required to consider whether control procedures maintained by the Funds or by the dealer or pricing service provided reasonable assurance that material pricing errors would be prevented or detected. Such control procedures included checking methods used by the pricing service to obtain daily quotations, verifying daily changes of individual securities prices in excess of a stipulated percentage, verifying dealer quotations with other dealers on a test basis, and maintaining a comparison of actual sales prices with the value assigned for the preceding day. In performing these tests, PwC should have obtained independent quotations from dealers or visited the pricing service's facilities to review the procedures used to determine values.

155. With respect to security values estimated in good faith by the Funds' board of directors, PwC was required to review the procedures employed by the board of directors for its continuing appraisal of such securities, determine whether the methods established for such valuations were followed, and make certain that these methods were reviewed and approved by the board of directors. PwC was required to review the procedures applied by the board of directors in valuing such securities and to inspect the underlying documentation to determine whether the procedures were reasonable and the documentation appropriate for that purpose.

156. Pricing and valuation of the Funds' portfolio securities were part of the Funds' internal accounting controls, the examination or testing of which PwC was responsible in connection with its audits of the Funds' financial statements and on which PwC was required to report in addition to its audit report and opinion.

157. SEC Form N-SAR states that the auditor's report on a registered investment company's internal controls should be "based on a review, study, and evaluation of the accounting system, internal accounting controls, . . . made during the audit of the financial statements. The report should disclose material weaknesses in the accounting system, the system of internal accounting control . . . that exist as of the end of the registrant's fiscal year. Disclosure of a material weakness should include an indication of any corrective action taken or proposed." PwC's reports on the Funds' internal controls were exhibits to the Funds' Form N-SAR reports and should have been addressed to the Funds' shareholders and board of directors.

158. To the extent that the Funds' management was relying on a pricing service to price its securities, the Funds' management was obliged to understand how the pricing service was pricing those securities, including whether the pricing service was taking into

account in pricing the Funds' securities those factors deemed relevant by the Funds' management and board of directors. PwC, as auditor of the Funds' financial statements, was required to ascertain that the Funds' management had such an understanding.

159. PwC knew that, under the ICA, an open-end mutual fund (one that offered its shares continuously to the public), such as the Funds, is required to compute its net asset value daily in order to price the fund's shares that are being redeemed and sold.

160. The Funds were required to disclose those securities in their respective portfolios that were being valued in accordance with fair value procedures, but did not do so.

**PWC'S REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES – THE USE OF AND NEED FOR GOOD FAITH FAIR VALUE PROCEDURES; VALUATION UNCERTAINTY**

161. In its annual financial statements for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, issued on October 3, 2007, the Funds and Defendants disclosed for the first time the dollar amount of the Funds' securities that were fair valued at June 30, 2006. Not disclosed were the percentages those dollar amounts represented of the Funds' portfolios.

162. Likewise, in its annual financial statements for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, issued on October 3, 2007, the Funds and Defendants disclosed the dollar amount of the Funds' securities that were fair valued at June 30, 2007. Not disclosed were the percentages those dollar amounts represented of the Funds' portfolios.

163. These disclosures were the first time the Funds disclosed the dollar amounts of their portfolio securities that were subject to the highly judgmental, uncertain estimated values of securities for which market quotations are not readily available.

164. These fair valued securities were 55.8% and 50.4% of the Intermediate Fund's portfolio at June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007 respectively and 49.5% and 59.7% of the High

Income Fund's portfolio at June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007 respectively, calculated as follows:

	Investments in Securities (from annual reports)		Fair Valued Investments: \$ (from 2007 annual report) and as % of Investments in Securities (calculated)			
	6/30/06	6/30/07	6/30/06		6/30/07	
Intermediate Fund	\$ 673,709,710	\$1,020,989,624	\$ 376,056,341	<b>55.8%</b>	\$ 514,922,503	<b>50.4%</b>
High Income Fund	1,192,784,672	1,045,740,306	590,018,294	<b>49.5%</b>	624,867,802	<b>59.7%</b>

165. Fair valued securities are those for which market quotations are not readily available.

166. Fair valued securities are those that have not traded in significant volume for a substantial period.

167. Fair valued securities are illiquid securities.

168. Fair valued securities are thinly traded.

169. The Funds and their management and directors knew that fair valued securities are those for which market quotations are not readily available, or have not traded in significant volume for a substantial period, and disclosed same.

170. PwC knew that the Funds and their management and directors understood that fair valued securities are those for which market quotations are not readily available or have not traded in significant volume for a substantial period.

171. PwC knew that approximately half or more of each Fund's portfolio was fair valued at June 30, 2006.

172. PwC knew that, prior to October 3, 2007, the Funds did not disclose in their annual and semi-annual reports and quarterly schedules of portfolio securities the amount of their respective portfolios that were being fair valued.

173. PwC knew that the Funds were required to disclose in their annual and semi-annual reports and quarterly schedules of portfolio securities those of the Funds' investment securities that were being fair valued.

174. PwC knew that trading activity in the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments of the type in which the Funds invested is limited, that the market in which these securities are traded is thin, and that, accordingly, dealer quotations may not indicate the prices at which these securities may be bought or sold. Accordingly, PwC knew that the fair value of such securities should have been estimated by the Funds' board of directors and that the board of directors should have implemented good faith fair value procedures for this purpose.

175. According to the AICPA Guide, investment companies such as the Funds report their investment securities at fair value, measured by quoted market prices for securities for which market quotations are readily available, or, if market quotations are not readily available, an estimate of value (fair value) as determined in good faith by the board of directors.

176. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are very difficult to price, and the pricing thereof is based on subjective judgment.

177. PwC knew that securities for which market quotations are not readily available are very difficult to price and that the pricing thereof is based on subjective judgment.

178. According to the AICPA Guide and Codification § 404.03, quotations for over-the-counter securities should ordinarily be obtained from more than one broker-dealer, unless they are available from an established market maker for that security. Quotations for several days should be reviewed. If a security has been sold infrequently or if the market in the security is thin, the reliability of market quotations should be considered. If market

quotations for the security are deemed not reliable, an estimate of value, as determined in good faith by the board of directors, should be used.

179. There were no established market makers for most if not all of the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested during the Class Period, and any purported market quotations were not reliable indicators of market value.

180. According to the AICPA Guide and Codification § 404.03, in certain circumstances, it may be necessary to estimate the fair value of securities if market quotations are not readily available. The objective of the estimating procedures is to state the securities at the amount the owner could reasonably expect to receive for them in a current sale, though the owner may not intend to sell them.

181. Because a substantial portion of the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested did not have readily ascertainable market values, the AICPA Guide and Codification § 404.03 required that their valuation should have been determined by the board of directors' fair valuation procedures that were designed to approximate the values that would have been established by market forces.

182. According to the AICPA Guide and SOP 93-1, because the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested did not have readily ascertainable market values and the valuation of such securities was, therefore, estimated, their valuation was subject to uncertainty.

183. PwC was required to determine whether the Funds' board of directors on behalf of the Funds was making, or should be making, good faith estimates of the value of the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested and, therefore, determine whether the procedures employed were adequate or reasonable and,

further, whether to qualify its opinions on the Funds' financial statements as a result of any inadequate or unreasonable procedures employed by the Funds' board of directors.

184. Based on the disclosures on October 3, 2007, regarding the securities held by the Funds' as of June 30, 2006 whose fair values were estimated, and on information and belief based on an understanding that securities are "fair-valued" when market quotations are not readily available, in connection with its efforts to test or verify the prices used by the Funds for the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested, PwC was unable to obtain independent secondary quotations for a material number of such securities during the course of its audits of the Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements.

185. Upon determining that market quotations were not readily available for a material portion of the Funds' portfolio securities, PwC was required to determine whether the procedures adopted by the Funds' board of directors for good faith fair value pricing of such securities were properly applied and whether all factors were taken into account in estimating the value of the Funds' securities.

186. Because the Funds did not disclose that any of their securities were fair valued at June 30, 2006 the inference arises that such valuations were not performed when they should have been. The same inference arises with respect to the Funds' June 30, 2005 and 2004 financial statements based on the number of restricted securities in each Fund's portfolio on said dates.

187. Whether the Funds did not fair value securities when they should have done so, or did fair value such securities but did not disclose doing so, PwC, in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements:

- (a) Never advised the Funds' board of directors of the need to perform good faith estimates of value for those high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments for which secondary market quotations were not readily available, as PwC was required to do or never advised the Funds' board of directors of the need to disclose the substantial portion of the Funds' investment securities that were fair valued;
- (b) Never disclosed, or advised the Funds' board of directors to disclose in footnotes to the Funds' financial statements, that the Funds' net asset value was subject to significant uncertainty in light of the magnitude of the Funds' investments in fair valued securities or in securities that should have been fair valued, as PwC was required to do and as PwC did do in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2007 financial statements;
- (c) Never disclosed, or advised the Funds' board of directors to disclose in footnotes to the Funds' financial statements, the magnitude of each Fund's net asset value subject to significant uncertainty in light of the of the Funds' investments in fair valued securities or in securities that should have been fair valued, as PwC was required to do and as PwC did do in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2007 financial statements;
- (d) Never added an explanatory paragraph to its standard reports to emphasize the uncertainty of the valuation of the Funds' investments in fair valued securities or in securities that should have been fair valued,



as PwC was required to do and as PwC did do in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2007 financial statements;

- (e) Never modified its opinions to report that the Funds' financial statements did not conform with generally accepted accounting principles or rendered an adverse opinion, as PwC was required to do;
- (f) Never included in its reports an explanatory paragraph disclosing the magnitude of the Funds' portfolios subject to good faith valuation estimates by the Funds' board of directors on behalf of the Funds in view of the absence of readily ascertainable market values, as PwC was required to do and as PwC did do in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2007 financial statements; and
- (g) Never advised the Funds' board of directors that PwC was unable to render an unqualified opinion because of the limitation placed on the scope of its audits as a result of the magnitude of the Funds' portfolio securities subject to fair valuation procedures and the inherent uncertain values of such estimated valuations, as PwC was required to do.

188. Furthermore, despite the magnitude of fair valued securities in the Funds' portfolios, or securities for which market quotations were not readily available that required fair value estimates but were not fair-valued based on the failure to identify the substantial presence of fair-valued securities in the Funds' portfolio, PwC:

- (a) Never determined whether control procedures maintained by the Funds' management, or by the dealer or pricing service used by the Funds to value the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested, provided reasonable assurance that material

pricing errors would be prevented or detected, as directed by the AICPA Guide;

- (b) Never examined the methods used by the pricing service to obtain daily quotations or verify dealer quotations with other dealers on a test basis, as directed by the AICPA Guide;
- (c) Did not obtain independent quotations from dealers, as directed by the AICPA Guide; or
- (d) Never determined the pricing methodology used by the Funds' pricing services, whether such methodology included all relevant factors, as determined by the Funds' board of directors or otherwise, or whether such pricing services used matrix pricing, as directed by the AICPA Guide.

189. If the securities in the Funds' portfolios requiring fair valuation procedures were not fair valued until the audit of the Funds' 2007 financial statements, PwC never:

- (a) Reviewed the procedures employed by the Funds' board of directors in connection with the Funds' continuing appraisal of such securities, as PwC was required to do;
- (b) Determined whether the methods established by the Funds for such valuations were followed, as PwC was required to do;
- (c) Made certain that the methods established by the Funds for such valuations had been reviewed and approved by the Funds' board of directors, as PwC was required to do;
- (d) Inspected the documentation underlying such valuations to determine whether the procedures were reasonable and the documentation

appropriate for the purpose of valuing such securities, as PwC was required to do; or

- (e) Determined whether the procedures being used to value the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments were consistent with the procedures disclosed in the Funds' prospectuses and annual and semi-annual reports as PwC was required to do.

190. The high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments that were subject to good faith fair value procedures constituted a material portion of the Funds' portfolios and their respective NAVs throughout the Class Period, resulting in a material portion of the Funds' portfolio valuations being based on estimates of value.

191. SOP 94-6 provides that the magnitude of such estimated values and the attendant risks and uncertainties be disclosed, as Defendants did do in the Funds' 2007 financial statements, where such estimates have a significance impact on an investment company's financial statements.

**PwC'S REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES – THE FUNDS'  
NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THEIR INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS**

192. PwC was required to consider whether the Funds' management had a program to prevent, deter, or detect noncompliance with the Funds' investment restrictions. PwC was also to have considered whether such program identified noncompliance with the stated investment restrictions and tested the operation of the program to the extent considered necessary. PwC was also to have considered whether any failure by the Funds to comply with their stated investment restrictions was a possible illegal act that had an indirect effect on the Funds' financial statements.

193. PwC represented to the Funds' board of directors that, as part of its audit services, it would ascertain whether the Funds were in compliance with their investment restrictions.

194. The Funds represented that they would limit their investments in illiquid securities to 15% of its net assets and would limit its investments in a single industry to 25% of its portfolio.

195. In fact, the Funds' investments in illiquid securities during the Class Period substantially exceeded the 15% limitation. . Likewise, the Funds' investments in a single industry substantially exceeded the 25% limitation.

**PWC'S REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES – THE USE OF AND  
NEED FOR GOOD FAITH FAIR VALUE PROCEDURES; CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT  
RISK**

196. Statement of Financial Auditing Standards ("SFAS") 105, "Disclosure of Information about Financial Instruments with . . . Concentrations of Credit Risk," provides that an "entity shall disclose all significant concentrations of credit risk arising from *all* financial instruments. . . Group concentrations of credit risk exist if a number of counterparties are engaged in similar activities and have similar economic characteristics that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic or other conditions."

197. SOP 94-6 requires disclosure in financial statements of concentrations.

198. The Funds' concentration in the mortgage sector and in structured financial instruments should have been disclosed in the Funds' financial statements.

199. Such disclosures are not limited to investments in a single industry but include other concentrations that may be present but not readily apparent. For example, such

concentrations include large investments in junk bonds and structured financial instruments like the CDOs in which the Funds heavily invested.

#### **PwC'S DISCLOSURE AND REPORTING OBLIGATIONS**

200. If PwC had properly carried out its duties in the course of its audits of the Funds' financial statements for their fiscal years ended June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006, PwC would have ascertained the failure either to properly value the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments or to disclose the magnitude of the Funds' fair valued securities, the failure to disclose the uncertain value of a substantial portion of the Funds' portfolio securities and of the Funds' respective net asset values, and the Funds' excessive investments in illiquid high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments and in a single industry, all in violation of express restrictions on such investments and generally accepted accounting principles and SEC rules and regulations, as well as the Funds' own disclosures. If PwC had so ascertained such violative conduct in the course of such audits, it was required to inform, and in fact would have so informed, the Funds' management and directors of such violative practices.

201. SEC Codification § 404.03 provides that where "questions of propriety or validity [relating to a mutual fund's investments] are not satisfactorily resolved, the circumstances of the investment should be disclosed in the financial statements or notes thereto."

202. The AICPA Guide provides that if PwC was unable to obtain sufficient evidential matter to support the Funds' management's assertions about the nature of a matter involving an uncertainty – e.g., the valuation of the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments – and its presentation or disclosure in the Funds' financial statements, PwC should have considered the need to express a qualified opinion or to disclaim an

opinion because of a scope limitation. PwC did not do so in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements. PwC did do so, in part, in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2007 financial statements.

203. The AICPA Guide further provides that if PwC's audits of the Funds' financial statements revealed that the valuation procedures used by the Funds' board of directors were inadequate or unreasonable, or that the underlying documentation did not support the valuations, PwC should have modified its opinion for lack of conformity with generally accepted accounting principles or, depending on the significance to the financial statements of the securities subject to such valuation procedures, PwC should have issued an adverse opinion.

204. SOP 93-1 provides that even if PwC had concluded, in the course of its audits of the Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements, that, based on an examination of the available evidence, the process used to estimate the values of the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments was reasonable, the documentation supportive, and the range of possible values of such securities was not significant, PwC might still have chosen to emphasize the existence of the uncertainties relating to such valuations of such securities by including an explanatory paragraph in PwC's audit reports on those financial statements.

205. In connection with its audits of the Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 annual financial statements, PwC failed to consider any of the alternatives described in the preceding paragraphs 199-204 or, if PwC did consider such alternatives, it improperly failed to make one or more of the required disclosures. In light of the magnitude of the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments that were subject to good faith fair value

procedures, PwC should have, with respect to the Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements, either:

- (a) Included an explanatory paragraph in its reports on the Funds' financial statements disclosing the magnitude of the Funds' portfolios subject to good faith fair value estimates by the Funds' board of directors, along with an explanatory paragraph to emphasize the uncertainty of the valuation of such securities and of the Funds' NAVs; or
- (b) Issued opinions that were qualified because the Funds' financial statements and attendant disclosures failed to conform with generally accepted accounting principles; or
- (c) Issued adverse opinions, or disclaimed an opinion, because of the limitation on the scope of its audits resulting from such valuation uncertainty or from the failure of the valuation of the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested to be done in accordance with required and disclosed valuation procedures.

206. PwC furnished to the Funds' officers and directors in connection with each of its audits of the Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 annual financial statements a "management letter" in which it commented on, *inter alia*, the Funds' internal controls. In this management letter PwC should have reported to the Funds' management and board of directors the failure to value the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in accordance with the Funds' disclosed valuation policy, applicable generally accepted accounting principles, and SEC rules and regulations; the failure to disclose the uncertain estimated values of the Funds' substantial investments in high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in accordance with applicable generally accepted

accounting principles and SEC rules and regulations; and the failure to comply with the disclosed limitations on the Funds' investments in illiquid securities and investments in a single industry.

207. In its report pursuant to Form N-SAR on the Funds' internal controls, PwC should have reported to the SEC by at least June 30, 2006, the Funds' directors and the Funds' shareholders the failure to value the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in accordance with the Funds' disclosed valuation policy, applicable generally accepted accounting principles, and SEC rules and regulations; the failure to disclose the uncertain estimated values of the Funds' substantial investments in high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in accordance with applicable generally accepted accounting principles and SEC rules and regulations; and the failure to comply with the disclosed limitations on the Funds' investments in illiquid securities and investments in a single industry.

208. In its reports to the Funds' shareholders on the Funds' annual 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements, or in footnotes to such financial statements, PwC should have disclosed, or advised the Funds to disclose, the failure to value the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in accordance with the Funds' disclosed valuation policy, applicable generally accepted accounting principles, and SEC rules and regulations; and the failure to comply with the disclosed limitations on the Funds' investments in illiquid securities and investments in a single industry.

209. If PwC had timely so informed the Funds' management and directors, the Funds could have taken corrective action to bring its valuation procedures into compliance with generally accepted accounting principles and SEC rules and regulations and disclosed accounting policies, and warned the Funds' shareholders and prospective investors about the



uncertainty inherent in the estimated values of the Funds' assets and, consequently, the uncertainty of the Funds' net asset values. Alternatively, the Funds would have been compelled to suspend selling and redeeming their shares until corrective actions were taken, thereby precluding the investments made in the Funds during most or all of the Class Period.

210. If, in the absence of corrective action by the MK Defendants, PwC had timely so informed the SEC, the Funds would have been compelled to suspend selling and redeeming their shares.

### **PWC'S FALSE DIRECT REPRESENTATIONS**

211. In connection with the offer and sale of the Funds' shares, Defendant PwC made the following representations during the Class Period in each of the Fund's registration statements or amendments thereto, including prospectuses and statements of additional information, and in annual reports and other documents filed with the SEC during the Class Period:

In our opinion, the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities, including the portfolios of investments, and the related statements of operations and of changes in net assets and the financial highlights present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Regions Morgan Keegan Select Short Term Bond Fund, Regions Morgan Keegan Select Intermediate Bond Fund and Regions Morgan Keegan Select High Income Fund (hereafter referred to as the "Funds") at June 30, 2006, the results of each of their operations and the changes in each of their net assets for each of the years or periods presented and the financial highlights for the years and periods presented for Regions Morgan Keegan Select Intermediate Bond Fund and Regions Morgan Keegan Select High Income Fund and the financial highlights for the three years or periods in the year then ended for Regions Morgan Keegan Select Short Term Bond Fund, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements and financial highlights (hereafter referred to as "financial statements") are the responsibility of the Funds' management; our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these financial

statements in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits, which included confirmation of securities at June 30, 2006 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers, provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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212. Each of the Funds' prospectuses contained a section entitled "Financial Highlights." This section contained excerpts from the Funds' audited financial statements for the preceding three years relating to, *inter alia*, total return, yield, NAV at the beginning and end of the period, income (loss) from investment operations, net investment income, net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments, distributions, and the ratio of net investment income to average net assets. The financial data that appeared in the "Financial Highlights" section of each of the Funds' prospectuses was examined by PwC.

213. As an example, the following financial information for the five-year period July 31, 2001 through June 30, 2006 (September 1, 2001 through June 30, 2006 for the Regions Morgan Keegan Short Term Bond Fund), was disclosed in the "Financial Highlights" section of the Funds' November 3, 2006 prospectus (data is for Class A shares):

FUND	NAV PER SHARE RANGE		RANGE AS % OF AVERAGE NAV	NET INVESTMENT INCOME AS % OF AVERAGE NET ASSETS		RANGE AS % OF AVERAGE INCOME AS % OF NET ASSETS	ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN		RANGE AS % OF AVERAGE TOTAL RETURN	TOTAL ANNUAL DISTRIBUTIONS PER SHARE		RANGE AS % OF AVERAGE DISTRIBUTIONS
	High	Low		High	Low		High	Low		High	Low	
Short Term Bond Fund	\$ 10.24	\$ 9.94	2.97%	4.18%	2.76%	40.92%	6.57%	1.21%	138%	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.29	41%
Intermediate Fund	\$ 10.39	\$ 9.93	4.53%	9.55%	6.61%	36.39%	9.99%	4.68%	72%	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.68	38%

High Income Fund	\$ 10.56	\$ 10.42	1.33%	13.52%	10.23%	27.71%	14.05%	10.13%	32%	\$ 1.44	\$ 1.17	21%
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214. The table in the preceding paragraph demonstrates that the High Income Fund's NAV fluctuated the least (i.e., was the least volatile) of the three fixed income funds and that the other performance measures likewise show the High Income Fund to be the least volatile. Thus, there was nothing in the performance data of the three funds over the five-year period July/September 2001 through June 2006 to suggest the potential for the Short Term Bond Fund, Intermediate Fund and High Income Fund to incur losses of 4.3%, 43% and 55%, respectively. Especially significant is the relative stability of the High Income Fund's distributions, which are very important to investors in fixed income funds.

215. The prospectuses contained in the Funds' registration statements were distributed, or made available, to prospective investors in the Funds and to the Funds' existing shareholders. The Statements of Additional Information contained in the Funds' registration statements were furnished to existing Fund shareholders and prospective investors only upon request. The 2004, 2005 and 2006 annual reports to shareholders were distributed, or made available, to existing Fund shareholders at the time they were issued and to prospective investors throughout the year following their issuance until the next annual report was issued.

216. The representations, financial information and representations implicit in said financial information set forth in paragraphs 212-14 above were false and misleading in that:

- (a) PwC did not audit the Funds' financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards;
- (b) The Funds' financial statements were not presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

- (c) With respect to the Financial Highlights, PwC failed to disclose that the Intermediate Fund's and the High Income Fund's financial results were obtained by investment practices that were inconsistent with, contrary to, and prohibited by the Funds' restrictions;
- (d) With respect to both Funds, in connection with the Financial Highlights, PwC failed to disclose that such financial results were obtained by investing in highly speculative illiquid high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in excess of the 15% limitation on illiquid securities disclosed by the Funds' and recommended by the SEC and in excess of the 25% limit on investments in a single industry;
- (e) With respect to both Funds, in connection with the Financial Highlights, PwC failed to disclose that the financial statements from which the financial highlights were excerpted were not prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in that, *inter alia*, the financial statements failed to disclose the magnitude of fair valued securities, the material uncertainty inherent in the estimated values of such securities, and the effect thereof on the Funds' respective NAVs during the Class Period and the ability of the Funds' shareholders to redeem their shares;
- (f) In its reports on the Funds' financial statements and in connection with the Financial Highlights, in view of the magnitude of portfolio securities as to which secondary quotations were not available and which were subject to good faith fair value procedures, PwC failed to disclose the material valuation uncertainty of the high-yield bonds and

structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested and the effect of such uncertainty on the Funds' net asset value, their financial statements and the Financial Highlights and ability of shareholders to redeem their shares;

- (g) PwC, in its reports on the Funds' financial statements, failed either (i) to qualify its opinions on the Funds' financial statements by including an exception to its opinions for the effect on said financial statements of the valuation of the Funds' securities for which market quotations were not readily available as determined by the Funds' board of directors and the uncertainties attendant to the valuation of such securities, or (ii) to render adverse opinions, or disclaim an opinion, because of the limitation on the scope of its audit resulting from such valuation uncertainty or from the failure of the valuation of the high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments in which the Funds invested to be done in accordance with required and disclosed valuation procedures, or (iii) to include an explanatory paragraph disclosing the valuation risk inherent in the Funds' portfolios in view of the magnitude of securities subject to good faith fair value procedures;
- (h) PwC failed to apply appropriate audit procedures to the valuations of the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments and failed to modify its audit reports to disclose the Funds' use of an improper valuation method for a significant portion of the Funds' portfolios or failure to apply fair value procedures, as the Funds

disclosed would be applied when market quotations were not readily available;

- (i) PwC improperly relied upon the representations of the Funds' management as to the Funds' compliance with their investment restrictions and/or failed to conduct such tests as reasonable to ascertain the Funds' compliance with their disclosed investment restrictions;
- (j) PwC failed to ascertain whether the Funds' internal control and risk management were adequate to ensure compliance by the Funds with their disclosed investment restrictions;
- (k) PwC did not obtain reasonable assurance that the Funds were not violating their investment restrictions;
- (l) The Financial Highlights falsely portrayed the Funds, and especially the High Income Fund, as relatively stable (i.e., safe) fixed income investment vehicles providing a steady stream of dividends and concealed the potential for great loss that lurked in each of the Funds' portfolios, which false portrayal would have been cured by the disclosures that PwC was required to make in its reports on the Funds' financial statements, or that PwC was required to advise the Funds to make in their financial statements and the footnotes thereto, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and applicable SEC rules; and
- (m) The Funds' financial statements did not include a statement of cash flows, which was required because of the magnitude of securities in the

Funds' portfolios whose valuations were estimated (see AICPA Guide ¶ 7.66).

217. If PwC had not failed in its auditing function as alleged herein but instead had conducted the auditing procedures and tests described herein for the Funds' fiscal years ended June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006 with the care and diligence reasonably expected by the Plaintiffs and the Class, and in the manner reasonably expected by the Funds' management and board of directors in light of PwC's advertised expertise in matters relating to investment companies and in response to the reliance by the Funds' management and board of directors on PwC as invited by PwC and the reliance by the Funds' management and board of directors on PwC's representations that PwC would ascertain the Funds' compliance with their investment restrictions, PwC would have reported to the directors that the Funds were engaging in the wrongful conduct described herein, and corrective actions could have been taken by the Funds' management that would have avoided the losses incurred by Plaintiffs and the class.

218. If PwC had disclosed the matters required to be disclosed by the AICPA Guide in its reports on the Fund's 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements, shareholders in the Funds and prospective shareholders would have been forewarned about the Funds' improper valuation practices, the valuation uncertainty relating to the Funds' largely estimated NAV, and the Funds' failure to adhere to the disclosed restrictions on illiquid securities and investments in a single industry, and, being forewarned, Plaintiffs and the Class could have avoided the losses incurred by them.

219. If PwC had informed Morgan Management and the Funds' board of directors, in connection with its audits of either the Funds' 2004, 2005 or 2006 financial statements of the need to make the disclosures described herein, as PwC did do in connection with its

audits of the Funds' 2007 financial statements, or that PwC was unable to render an unqualified opinion on the Funds' financial statements, or if PwC had included an explanatory paragraph in its reports, as PwC did do in connection with its audits of the Funds' 2007 financial statements, or if PwC had informed the SEC and the Funds' shareholders of the above matters, Plaintiffs and the Class, being forewarned, could have avoided the losses incurred by them.

220. If PwC had timely informed the Funds' management and directors in June 2006, or even as late as December 2006, that the Funds' portfolio securities exceeded the disclosed restriction on illiquid securities, the Funds would have sold such illiquid securities at a time when, despite the illiquid market for such securities, they could have been sold for substantially more than the prices to which they dropped after July 2007. If the Funds had sold such securities in late 2006 or early 2007, they would have avoided the losses incurred in 2007 as a result of its excessively heavy use of illiquid securities, and the Funds' net asset value would not have declined, or would not have declined by nearly as much as it did decline.

221. Notwithstanding the belated disclosures regarding the magnitude of the fair valued securities present in the Funds' portfolios at June 30, 2006 and the failure to make such disclosures in the June 30, 2006 financial statements, and those of earlier dates, at no time has PwC withdrawn its report on the Funds' 2006 financial statements, or on the Funds' financial statements for any other year in the Class Period, or taken any other steps to inform the Funds' shareholders of the violative nature of the investment policies used by the Funds during the Class Period.



**THE FUNDS' 2004, 2005 AND 2006 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE NOT PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

222. On April 25, 1938, the SEC issued SEC Accounting Series Release ("ASR")

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In cases where financial statements filed with the Commission pursuant to its rules and regulations under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act are prepared in accordance with accounting principles for which there is no substantial authoritative support, such financial statements will be presumed to be misleading, or inaccurate despite disclosures contained in the certificate of the accountant or in footnotes to the statements provided the matters involved are material. In cases where there is a difference of opinion between the Commission and the registrant as to the proper principles of accounting to be followed, disclosure will be accepted in lieu of correction of the financial statements themselves only if the points involved are such that there is substantial authoritative support for the practices followed by the registrant and the position of the Commission has not previously been expressed in rules, regulations or other official releases of the Commission, including the published opinions of its Chief Accountant.

223. On December 20, 1973, the SEC's 1938 policy statement was updated to recognize the establishment of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") through the issuance of Accounting Series Release 150. This Release stated, in relevant part:

Various Acts of Congress administered by the Securities and Exchange Commission clearly state the authority of the Commission to prescribe methods to be followed in the preparation of accounts and the form and content of financial statements to be filed under the Acts and responsibility to assure that investors are furnished with information necessary for informed investment decisions. In meeting this statutory responsibility effectively, in recognition of the expertise, energy and resources of the accounting profession, and without abdicating its responsibilities, the Commission has historically looked to the standard setting bodies designated by the profession to provide leadership in establishing and improving the accounting principles...

See also Financial Reporting Release No. 36.

224. In addition, AU Section 411, which discusses the sources of established accounting principles that are generally accepted in the United States and which sets forth a hierarchy or such principles states:

Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) have an authority similar to category (a) [the highest level in the hierarchy of accounting principles] pronouncements for SEC registrants. In addition, the SEC staff issues Staff Accounting Bulletins that represent practices followed by the staff in administering SEC disclosure requirements. Also, the Introduction to the FASB's EITF Abstracts states that the Securities and Exchange Commission's Chief Accountant has said that the SEC staff would challenge any accounting that differs from a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force, because the consensus position represents the best thinking on areas for which there are no specific standards.

225. Based on the foregoing, the SEC is the final arbiter of accounting principles.

226. SEC Regulation S-X § 210.4-01(a)(1) provides that financial statements that are not prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles are presumed to be misleading.

227. The SEC's Codification of Financial Reporting Policies, § 404.03.a, requires that violations by an investment company of its investment policies and restrictions be disclosed in its financial statements or the footnotes thereto.

228. The Funds' 2004, 2005 and 2006 financial statements were not prepared, or presented, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles because they did not disclose:

- (a) That a significant portion of the Funds' respective investment portfolios was required to be valued using good faith fair value procedures established by the Funds' board of directors and describing the methods

used to perform such valuations, as was disclosed in the 2007 financial statements, or that such required valuation using such procedures had not been done;

- (b) The valuation uncertainty attendant to the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments resulting from the estimated values of such securities and the effect of such uncertainty on the Funds' respective net asset values;
- (c) That the Funds' investment practices were inconsistent with, contrary to, and prohibited by their disclosed investment restrictions limiting investments in illiquid securities and investments in a single industry; and
- (d) That the Funds failed to disclose the concentration of credit risk inherent in their heavy investments in structured financial instruments and in mortgage related securities.

229. PwC failed to disclose in its reports on the Funds' financial statements that, by failing to disclose the Funds' violations of their respective investment restrictions in their respective financial statements, the Funds were violating the SEC requirement that such violations be so disclosed.

230. In its reports on the Funds' annual financial statements for their fiscal years ended June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006, PwC falsely stated that the Funds' financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. PwC's statements were false because the financial statements violated the following generally accepted accounting principles:

- (a) The principle that financial reporting should provide information that is useful to present and potential investors in making rational investment decisions and that information should be comprehensible to those who have a reasonable understanding of business and economic activities (FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 1, ¶ 34);
- (b) The principle that financial reporting should be conservative and refrain from overstatement of net income or assets, choosing the alternative that provides a lower net income or assets if confronted with a decision (FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 1);
- (c) The principle that conservatism be used as a prudent reaction to uncertainty to ensure that uncertainties and risks inherent in business situations are adequately considered (FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 2, ¶¶ 95, 97);
- (d) The principle that financial reporting should be reliable in that it represents what it purports to represent (FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 2, ¶¶ 58-59);
- (e) The principle that the quality of reliability and, in particular, of representational faithfulness leaves no room for accounting representations that subordinate substance to form (FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 2);
- (f) The concept of completeness that nothing material is left out of the information that may be necessary to ensure that it validly represents underlying events and conditions (FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 2);

- (g) The principle of materiality, which provides that the omission or misstatement of an item in a financial report is material if, in light of the surrounding circumstances, the magnitude of the item is such that it is probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying upon the report would have been changed or influenced by the inclusion or correction of the item (FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 2, ¶ 132); and
- (h) Disclosure of accounting policies should identify and describe the accounting principles followed by the reporting entity and the methods of applying those principles that materially affect the financial statements (Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 22).

**PWC’S AUDITS OF THE FUNDS’ 2004, 2005 AND 2006 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE  
NOT CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING  
STANDARDS**

231. Throughout the Class Period, PwC had continual and complete access to the Funds’ books, records, and the Funds’ and Morgan Management’s corporate, financial, operating and business information, as well as their business operations, and ample ability to observe the their business and accounting practices. PwC had superior access to and knowledge of all aspects of the Funds’ business and was well-informed as to their accounting practices.

232. During the Class Period, a substantial portion of the Funds’ securities required fair value determinations based on estimates because of the absence of readily available market quotations.

233. The phrase “fair value” is defined, for accounting purposes (FASB Statement No. 115) as: “The amount at which a financial instrument could be exchanged in a current

transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.”

234. GAAS, as set forth in the Codification of Statements on Auditing Standards (“AU”), specifically provides guidance (in Section 332) to auditors in auditing investments in debt and equity securities. It states that: “The auditor should ascertain whether investments are accounted for in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, including adequate disclosure of material matters.” It further states that:

If investments are carried at fair value or if fair value is disclosed for investments carried at other than fair value, the auditor should obtain evidence corroborating the fair value. In some cases, the method for determining fair value is specified by generally accepted accounting principles. For example, generally accepted accounting principles may require that the fair value of an investment be determined using quoted market prices or quotations as opposed to estimation techniques. In those cases, the auditor should evaluate whether the determination of fair value is consistent with the required valuation method. The following paragraphs provide guidance on audit evidence that may be used to corroborate assertions about fair value; the guidance should be considered in the context of specific accounting requirements.

Quoted market prices for investments listed on national exchanges or over-the-counter markets are available from sources such as financial publications, the exchanges, or the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations System (NASDAQ). For certain other investments, quoted market prices may be obtained from broker-dealers who are market makers in those investments. If quoted market prices are not available, estimates of fair value frequently can be obtained from third-party sources based on proprietary models or from the entity based on internally developed or acquired models.

Quoted market prices obtained from financial publications or from national exchanges and NASDAQ are generally considered to provide sufficient evidence of the fair value of investments. However, for certain investments, such as securities that do not trade regularly, the auditor should consider obtaining estimates of fair value

from broker-dealers or other third-party sources. In some situations, the auditor may determine that it is necessary to obtain fair-value estimates from more than one pricing source. For example, this may be appropriate if a pricing source has a relationship with an entity that might impair its objectivity.

For fair-value estimates obtained from broker-dealers and other third-party sources, the auditor should consider the applicability of the guidance in section 336 [Using the Work of a Specialist] or section 324 [Service Organizations]. The guidance in section 336 may be applicable if the third-party source derives the fair value of a security by using modeling or similar techniques. If an entity uses a pricing service to obtain prices of listed securities in the entity's portfolio, the guidance in section 324 may be appropriate.

In the case of investments valued by the entity using a valuation model, the auditor does not function as an appraiser and is not expected to substitute his or her judgment for that of the entity's management. Rather, the auditor generally should assess the reasonableness and appropriateness of the model. The auditor also should determine whether the market variables and assumptions used are reasonable and appropriately supported. Estimates of expected future cash flows should be based on reasonable and supportable assumptions. Further, the auditor should determine whether the entity has made appropriate disclosures about the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair values of such investments.

The evaluation of the appropriateness of valuation models and each of the variables and assumptions used in the models may require considerable judgment and knowledge of valuation techniques, market factors that affect value, and market conditions, particularly in relation to similar investments that are traded. Accordingly, in some circumstances, the auditor may consider it necessary to involve a specialist in assessing the entity's fair-value estimates or related models.

235. PwC violated AU 332 by failing to obtain evidence corroborating the investment valuations that the Funds purported to be reflected at fair value.

236. In those instances where valuation models were used to arrive at fair values, PwC violated AU Section 332 by failing to:

- (a) Assess the reasonableness and appropriateness of valuation models or assessing the reasonableness and appropriateness of valuation models and making audit judgments that no reasonable auditor would have made if confronted with the same facts;
- (b) Determine whether the market variables and assumptions used in valuation models were reasonable and appropriately supported or by making a determination that the market variables and assumptions used in valuation models were reasonable and appropriately supported when no reasonable auditor would have made the same determination if confronted with the same facts;
- (c) Assess the reasonableness and supportability of assumptions used in valuation models to estimate expected future cash flows of certain investments or by assessing the reasonableness and supportability of assumptions used in valuation models to estimate expected future cash flows of certain investments and arriving at conclusions that no reasonable auditor would have arrived at if confronted with the same facts;
- (d) Determine whether the Funds had made appropriate disclosures about the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair values of such investments or by making such determination and arriving at conclusions that no reasonable auditor would have arrived at if confronted with the same facts; or



- (e) Engage the services of an independent specialist to assess the reasonableness of the values ascribed to the Funds' illiquid investments which were purported to be reflected at fair value, as was done in connection with the audit of the Funds' 2007 financial statements.

237. As a result of PwC's failures described in the preceding paragraph, PwC's audits were so deficient that they amounted to no audit at all.

238. PwC did not comply with GAAS in that it either (a) performed its audits in a manner which constituted an extreme departure from GAAS and from the standards of ordinary care; or (b) failed to perform audit procedures which were appropriate and necessary under the circumstances, such as investigating the Funds' questionable financial statement assertions as particularized herein, and made audit judgments that no reasonable auditor would have made if confronted with the same facts.

239. AU Section 561, "Subsequent Discovery of Facts Existing at the Date of the Auditor's Report," sets forth procedures to be followed by the auditor who, subsequent to the date of his report upon audited financial statements, becomes aware that facts may have existed at that date which might have affected his report had he then been aware of such facts. PwC had a responsibility under this GAAS to revisit at least its 2006 audit when put on notice that half of the Funds' portfolio consisted of fair valued securities whose valuations were highly uncertain, thus requiring disclosure, both in footnotes to the Funds' 2006 financial statements and a paragraph in PwC's audit report calling attention to such uncertainty, given the magnitude thereof and the effect on the Funds' respective NAVs, as was disclosed in the Funds' 2007 financial statements.

240. PwC failed to comply with AU Section 561, in that PwC failed to (i) advise the Funds to disclose that their 2006 financial statements were materially misstated and to

(ii) advise the Funds (AU Section 561):

. . . to make appropriate disclosure of the newly discovered facts and their impact on the financial statements to persons who are known to be currently relying or who are likely to rely on the financial statements and the related auditor's report . . . If the client refuses to make the disclosures . . . the auditor should notify each member of the board of directors of such refusal and of the fact that, in the absence of disclosure by the client, the auditor should take the following steps to the extent applicable:

- a. Notification to the client that the auditor's report must no longer be associated with the financial statements.
- b. Notification to regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over the client that the auditor's report should no longer be relied upon.
- c. Notification to each person known to the auditor to be relying on the financial statements that his report should no longer be relied upon . .

241. AU Section 311 provides that audit planning involves developing an overall strategy for the expected conduct and scope of the audit:

The auditor should obtain a level of knowledge of the entity's business that will enable him to plan and perform his audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. That level of knowledge should enable him to obtain an understanding of the events, transactions, and practices that, in his judgment, may have a significant effect on the financial statements. . . Knowledge of the entity's business helps the auditor in:

- (a) Identifying areas that may need special consideration;
- (b) Assessing conditions under which accounting data are produced, processed, reviewed, and accumulated within the organization;
- (c) Evaluating the reasonableness of estimates;
- (d) Evaluating the reasonableness of management representations.

- (e) Making judgments about the appropriateness of the accounting principles applied and the adequacy of disclosures.

242. PwC failed to:

- (a) Identify areas that needed special consideration, such as the appropriate valuation of securities owned and the appropriate determination of illiquid securities or identified such areas but audited them in a manner that was so deficient that it amounted to no audit at all, while making audit judgments that no reasonable auditor would have made if confronted with the same facts;
- (b) Assess the conditions under which accounting data (such as the fair values of the Funds' illiquid investments) was produced, processed, reviewed, and accumulated within the organization or assessed such conditions and made audit judgments based upon said assessment that no reasonable auditor would have made if confronted with the same facts;
- (c) Evaluate the reasonableness of estimates and management's representations (such as estimates of the fair value of the Funds' investments and managements' representations regarding these fair values) or evaluated them in a manner which was so deficient that it amounted to no evaluation at all.
- (d) Judge the appropriateness of the accounting principles applied (such as the principle that disclosure of accounting policies should identify and describe the accounting principles followed by the reporting entity and the methods of applying those principles that materially affect the financial statements) and the adequacy of disclosures in the Funds'

financial statements (such as disclosure of the nature and the amount of the Funds' fair-valued, untested, novel, illiquid securities), or did so and arrived at judgments that no reasonable auditor would have arrived at if confronted with the same facts.

243. AU Section 230 mandates that this overall strategy is to comprehend the fact that: "Due professional care is to be exercised in the planning and performance of the audit and the preparation of the report." Providing guidance on the concept of due professional care, AU Section 230 states:

Due professional care requires the auditor to exercise professional skepticism. Professional skepticism is an attitude that includes a questioning mind and a critical assessment of audit evidence. The auditor uses the knowledge, skill, and ability called for by the profession of public accounting to diligently perform, in good faith and with integrity, the gathering and objective evaluation of evidence.

Gathering and objectively evaluating audit evidence requires the auditor to consider the competency and sufficiency of the evidence. Since evidence is gathered and evaluated throughout the audit, professional skepticism should be exercised throughout the audit process.

The auditor neither assumes that management is dishonest nor assumes unquestioned honesty. In exercising professional skepticism, the auditor should not be satisfied with less than persuasive evidence because of a belief that management is honest.

See also Securities Act Release No. 6349 (it is management's responsibility to identify factors peculiar to and necessary for an understanding and evaluation of an individual company).

244. PwC violated GAAS by failing to exercise due professional care in the overall conduct and scope of its audits, including the planning and performance of these audits and the preparation of its audit reports as particularized below.

245. AU Section 336 provides:

The auditor's education and experience enable him or her to be knowledgeable about business matters in general, but the auditor is not expected to have the expertise of a person trained for or qualified to engage in the practice of another profession or occupation. During the audit, however, an auditor may encounter complex or subjective matters potentially material to the financial statements. Such matters may require special skill or knowledge and in the auditor's judgment require using the work of a specialist to obtain competent evidential matter.

Examples of the types of matters that the auditor may decide require him or her to consider using the work of a specialist include, but are not limited to...Valuation [of]...restricted securities....

246. In planning its audits, PwC failed to consider the facts and circumstances that indicated the existence of a substantially increased risk of material misstatement of the fair values assigned to the Funds' fair-valued investments – by failing to disclose the magnitude of such investments and the uncertain valuations thereof – and likewise failed to engage the services of a qualified and independent specialist to undertake a valuation of those investments for which market quotations were not readily available.

247. While planning and executing its audits of the Funds' financial statements and rendering its opinions, PwC failed to adhere to AU Section 334 which states that, in determining the scope of work to be performed with respect to possible transactions with related parties, the auditor should:

- (a) Obtain an understanding of management responsibilities and the relationship of each component to the total business entity.
- (b) Consider controls over management activities.

- (c) Consider the business purpose served by the various components of the business entity.

248. AU Section 333 provides that, while an auditor may rely on management's representations as part of the evidential basis for the audit client's financial statement assertions, the auditor may not rely exclusively on such representations:

During an audit, management makes many representations to the auditor, both oral and written, in response to specific inquiries or through the financial statements. Such representations from management are part of the evidential matter the independent auditor obtains, but they are not a substitute for the application of those auditing procedures necessary to afford a reasonable basis for an opinion regarding the financial statements under audit.

249. PwC was required, but failed, to perform the above described audit procedures to corroborate management's representation that the Funds' investments in securities for which market quotations were not readily available were valued at their fair value and, accordingly, failed to comply with AU 333.

250. If PwC had performed the necessary corroborative procedures it would have learned that the Company's investments in securities for which market quotations were not readily available were not valued at their fair value as represented, and would have called all other management representations into question, including, e.g., regarding Morgan Management's determinations of the liquidity of the Funds' securities. As stated in AU Section 333:

If a representation made by management is contradicted by other audit evidence, the auditor should investigate the circumstances and consider the reliability of the representation made. Based on the circumstances, the auditor should consider whether his or her reliance on management's representations relating to other aspects of the financial statements is appropriate and justified.

251. Given the materiality (see SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 99) of the Company's investments in securities for which market quotations were not readily available, and the pervasive impact of these investments on the Company's financial statements, PwC should have significantly expanded the scope of its audit and the nature of its procedures in observance of GAAS (AU Section 312), which states that: "Higher risk may cause the auditor to expand the extent of procedures applied, apply procedures closer to or as of year end, particularly in critical audit areas, or modify the nature of procedures to obtain more persuasive evidence." PwC failed to do so, violating GAAS.

252. AU Section 325 requires an auditor to report certain critical matters to a company's Audit Committee. These critical matters are referred to as "reportable conditions" and are defined as issues relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control that could adversely affect the organization's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

253. AU Section 325 describes the following matters as reportable conditions:

- (a) Inadequate overall internal control design;
- (b) Absence of appropriate reviews and approvals of transactions, accounting entries, or systems output;
- (c) Inadequate procedures for appropriately assessing and applying accounting principles;
- (d) Inadequate provisions for the safeguarding of assets;
- (e) Absence of other controls considered appropriate for the type and level of transaction activity;

- (f) Evidence that a system fails to provide complete and accurate output that is consistent with objectives and current needs because of design flaws;
- (g) Evidence of failure of identified controls in preventing or detecting misstatements of accounting information;
- (h) Evidence that a system fails to provide complete and accurate output consistent with the entity's control objectives because of the misapplication of controls;
- (i) Evidence of intentional override of internal control by those in authority to the detriment of the overall objectives of the system;
- (j) Evidence of failure to perform tasks that are part of internal control, such as reconciliations not prepared or not timely prepared;
- (k) Evidence of willful wrongdoing by employees or management;
- (l) Evidence of manipulation, falsification, or alteration of accounting records or supporting documents;
- (m) Evidence of intentional misapplication of accounting principles;
- (n) Evidence of misrepresentation by client personnel to the auditor;
- (o) Absence of a sufficient level of control consciousness within the organization; and
- (p) Evidence of undue bias or lack of objectivity by those responsible for accounting decisions.

254. One or more of the above reportable conditions existed during the Class Period. For example, at June 30, 2006, the Funds identified a number of portfolio securities that were restricted. Notwithstanding that these securities possessed the characteristics of



illiquid securities and that restricted securities are presumptively illiquid securities, Morgan Management determined these securities to be liquid, thus overriding controls in place to protect the Funds' assets from the kinds of risks that materialized in 2007 and resulting in purchasing more illiquid securities when the portfolios already had more than 15% of their assets in illiquid securities, violating that restriction, all of which caused the catastrophic losses suffered by the Funds' shareholders. PwC did not report to the Funds' board of directors these reportable conditions, thereby violating AU Section 332 and GAAS.

255. In its October 3, 2007 audit report on the Funds' financial statements and in the footnotes to the Funds' financial statements, PwC did, and caused the Funds and Morgan Management to do, what should have been done at least with respect to the Funds' 2006 financial statements: identify the individual fair-valued securities and disclose the magnitude of the fair-valued securities in the Funds' portfolios and the uncertain valuations thereof. PwC and the Funds should also have disclosed the liquidity risk inherent in those fair-valued securities.

256. AU Section 329 "requires the use of analytical procedures in the planning and overall review stages of all audits." Analytical procedures involve comparisons of recorded amounts, or ratios developed from recorded amounts, to expectations developed by the auditor and include comparisons of the audited fund with its peers, including, e.g., the relative performance of the audited fund versus that of its peers and the reasons for any significant difference in such performance.

257. AU Section 316 states that the following are examples of risk factors relating to misstatements arising from fraudulent financial reporting:

- (a) A significant portion of management's compensation represented by bonuses,

- (b) stock options, or other incentives, the value of which is contingent upon the entity achieving unduly aggressive targets for operating results, financial position, or cash flow (Morgan Management's compensation for advisory services was based upon the Funds' net asset values);
- (c) An excessive interest by management in maintaining or increasing the entity's stock price or earnings trend through the use of unusually aggressive accounting practices (Morgan Management's treatment of restricted securities as liquid was "unusually aggressive," especially given the magnitude of such securities and the relative novel and untested nature thereof);
- (d) Domination of management by a single person or small group without compensating controls such as effective oversight by the board of directors or audit committee (during the Class Period the Funds were managed by two portfolio managers, and, given what happened, either such management was do effective oversight or the oversight was ignored);
- (e) Inadequate monitoring of significant controls;
- (f) Management failing to correct known reportable conditions on a timely basis (the purchases of illiquid securities in violation of the restriction against such purchases if they cause the Funds' portfolios to exceed 15% of net assets); or
- (g) Management displaying a significant disregard for regulatory authorities (the failure to adhere to the SEC's guidance regarding the

limiting illiquid securities and guidance concerning investing in novel untested fixed income securities).

258. PwC failed to plan and execute its audits of the Funds financial statements during the Class Period with a view to the existence of these risk factors. Thus, PwC failed “to modify procedures” and to exhibit an “increased sensitivity in the selection of the nature and extent of documentation to be examined in support of material transactions,” and an “increased recognition of the need to corroborate management explanations or representations concerning material matters,” as required by AU Section 316.

259. Based on the foregoing, PwC, contrary to its representations in each of its reports on the Funds’ 2004, 205 and 2006 financial statements, did not conduct its audits of the Funds’ financial statements generally accepted auditing standards and the Funds’ financial statements were not presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

260. GAAS (AU Section 411), describes: “The Meaning of Present Fairly in Conformity With Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the Auditor’s Report.” It states:

The auditor’s opinion that financial statements present fairly an entity’s financial position, results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles should be based on his judgment as to whether (a) the accounting principles selected and applied have general acceptance; (b) the accounting principles are appropriate in the circumstances; (c) the financial statements, including the related notes, are informative of matters that may affect their use, understanding, and interpretation...; (d) the information presented in the financial statements is classified and summarized in a reasonable manner, that is neither too detailed nor too condensed...; and (e) the financial statements reflect the underlying events and transactions in a manner that presents the financial position, results of operations, and cash flows stated

within a range of acceptable limits, that is, limits that are reasonable and practicable to attain in financial statements.

261. As particularized above, the financial statements which were disseminated to the investing public during the Class Period were not presented “fairly...in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles” because:

- (a) The accounting principles selected and applied in the preparation of the Funds’ financial statements, particularly with respect to the failures to disclose the magnitude of fair-valued securities in the Funds’ portfolios, the uncertainty inherent in the estimated valuations of those securities, liquidity risk posed by portfolios so heavily invested in fair-valued illiquid securities, and the Funds’ violations of their investment restriction relating to the limit on illiquid securities, did not have general acceptance.
- (b) The accounting principles which pervasively impacted the Funds’ financial statements, particularly those relating to the determination of the fair value of investments in securities for which market quotations were not readily available, were not appropriate in the circumstances.
- (c) The Funds’ financial statements, including the related notes that failed to disclose critical information regarding the Funds’ illiquid investments, were not informative of matters that affected their use, understanding, and interpretation.
- (d) The Funds’ financial statements did not reflect the underlying events and transactions in a manner that presented the financial position and the results of operations within a range of acceptable limits that were reasonable and practicable to attain in financial statements.

- (e) The Funds' financial statements did not include a statement of cash flows, which was required by GAAP in view of the magnitude of securities in the Funds' portfolios whose valuations were estimated.

262. In the introductory portion of Accounting Series Release No. 173, the SEC made the following comments pertaining to economic substance:

Another problem...is the need for emphasizing the importance of substance over form in determining accounting principles to be applied to particular transactions and situations. In addition to considering substance over form in particular transactions, it is important that the overall impression created by the financial statements be consistent with the business realities of the company's financial position and operations.

We believe that the auditor must stand back from his resolution of particular accounting issues and assess the aggregate impact of the particular issues upon a reasonable investor's perception of the economic substance of the enterprise for which the financial statements are being presented.

263. Based on the above, a reasonable investor was unable to perceive the true economic substance of the Funds whose financial statements were being presented.

264. In opining on the fairness of the Funds' financial statements during the Class Period, PwC expressly represented that its audit included "assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation." For the reasons alleged herein, this statement is false.

265. PwC's audits of the Funds' financial statements for its fiscal years ended June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006 were not conducted in accordance with the following generally accepted auditing standards:

- (a) General Standard No. 2, in that the audits were not performed by a person or persons having adequate technical training and proficiency as

an auditor, because, given the complex nature of the valuations required of the restricted novel securities held by the Funds, it was incumbent upon PwC to ensure the individuals who performed the audit had the requisite proficiency in areas that would allow affect the presentation of those securities “fair value” under GAAP;

- (b) General Standard No. 2, in that an independence of mental attitude was not maintained by PwC during said audits;
- (c) General Standard No. 3, in that due professional care was not exercised in the performance of the audits and the preparation of PwC’s reports on the Funds’ financial statements;
- (d) Standard of Field Work No. 1, in that the work was not adequately planned and assistants and work were not properly supervised or reviewed;
- (e) Standard of Field Work No. 2, in that PwC failed to obtain a sufficient understanding of the Funds’ internal control structure to plan the audits and to determine the nature, timing, and extent of tests to be performed;
- (f) Standard of Field Work No. 3, in that sufficient, competent evidential matter was not obtained through inspection, observation, inquiries, and confirmations to afford a reasonable basis for an opinion regarding the Funds’ financial statements under audit;
- (g) Standard of Reporting No. 1, in that PwC’s reports on the Funds’ financial statements for each of said years stated falsely that the Funds’ financial statements were presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

- (h) Standard of Reporting No. 3, in that PwC's reports on the Funds' financial statements failed to provide information required by generally accepted accounting principles but not disclosed in the Funds' financial statements or the footnotes thereto, as set forth above;
  - (i) Standard of Reporting No. 4, in that PwC's reports improperly contained unqualified opinions on the Funds' financial statements because PwC had failed to conduct its audits of the Funds' financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, therefore, PwC had insufficient basis for expressing such unqualified opinions;
  - (j) PwC failed to apply appropriate audit procedures to the valuations of the Funds' high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments for which multiple market quotations were not readily available;
  - (k) PwC failed to modify its audit reports in light of the Funds' use of an improper valuation method for a significant portion of their investment portfolios;
  - (l) PwC's audit reports failed to address the inadequacy of the valuation disclosures in the Funds' financial statements and the footnotes thereto;
  - (m) PwC failed to modify its audit reports or call attention to the uncertainty of the Funds' respective net asset values caused by the uncertainty of the valuations of the Funds' excessive investments in illiquid high-yield bonds and structured financial instruments for which market quotations were not readily available or that were fair valued;
- and

- (n) PwC failed to obtain reasonable assurance as to the Funds' compliance with their investment restrictions.

266. AU Section 508 required PwC to express a qualified opinion on the Funds' financial statements, in view of the scope limitation attributable to the uncertain valuation of the Funds' net assets, failure to make required GAAP disclosures regarding such uncertainty, and the Funds' violations of their investment restriction relating to excessive illiquid securities, and, in so doing, to disclose to the Funds' shareholders and prospective shareholders the nature and extent of the Funds' non-GAAP accounting and to provide those disclosures which the Funds' financial statements failed to provide.

267. PwC violated GAAS when it failed to express a qualified opinion on the Funds' financial statements, or to include an explanatory paragraph calling attention to the extent to which the valuations of the Funds' assets were subject to substantial uncertainty, during the Class Period and in failing to provide those material disclosures which the Company's financial statements failed to provide.

268. Pursuant to PwC's consent, PwC's reports on the Funds' financial statements during the Class Period and the Funds' financial statements, including (a) Schedules of Investments as of June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006 and as of each quarter-end during said fiscal years; (b) Statements of Assets and Liabilities as of June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006; (c) Statements of Operations for the Years Ended December June 30, 2004, 2005, 2006; (d) Statements of Changes in Net Assets for the Years Ended June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006; (e) Financial Highlights; and (f) Notes to Financial Statements were incorporated by reference into the Funds' registration statement effective during the Class Period and prospectuses used to offer and sell the Funds' shares during the Class Period.



269. According to AU Section 711 notes that, because a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 speaks as of its effective date, the independent accountant whose report is included in such a registration statement has a statutory responsibility that is determined in the light of the circumstances on that date. AU Section 711 states: “To sustain the burden of proof that he has made a ‘reasonable investigation’, as required under the Securities Act of 1933, an auditor should extend his procedures with respect to subsequent events from the date of his audit report up to the effective date or as close thereto as is reasonable and practicable in the circumstances.” AU Section 711 states that the following procedures, *inter alia*, should generally be performed by the auditor:

- (a) Read the latest available interim financial statements; compare them with the financial statements being reported upon; and make any other comparisons considered appropriate in the circumstances. In order to make these procedures as meaningful as possible for the purpose expressed above, the auditor should inquire of officers and other executives having responsibility for financial and accounting matters as to whether the interim statements have been prepared on the same basis as that used for the statements under audit.
- (b) Read the available minutes of meetings of stockholders, directors, and appropriate committees; as to meetings for which minutes are not available, inquire about matters dealt with at such meetings.
- (c) Obtain a letter of representations from appropriate officials, generally the chief executive officer, chief financial officer, or others with equivalent positions in the entity, as to whether any events occurred subsequent to the date of the financial statements being reported on by

the independent auditor that in the officer's opinion would require adjustment or disclosure in these statements.

- (d) Make such additional inquiries or perform such procedures as he considers necessary and appropriate to dispose of questions that arise in carrying out the foregoing procedures, inquiries, and discussions.
- (e) Read the entire prospectus and other pertinent portions of the registration statement.
- (f) Inquire of and obtain written representations from officers and other executives responsible for financial and accounting matters about whether any events have occurred, other than those reflected or disclosed in the registration statement, that, in the officers' or other executives' opinion, have a material effect on the audited financial statements included therein or that should be disclosed in order to keep those statements from being misleading.

270. Of all the professionals involved in the offer and sale of the Funds' assets to the investing public, the auditor is the only one whose involvement is legally required by the federal securities laws. With this legally conferred franchise, however, comes the heavy responsibility of acting as the investor's guardian by ensuring that a company's financial statements accurately depict its financial situation.

### **CLAIMS**

271. With respect to the claims asserted herein pursuant to §§ 11, 12(a)(2), and 15 of the Securities Act, this action has been commenced within one year of the date on which Plaintiffs first discovered, or should have discovered, the facts constituting the violations by the exercise of reasonable diligence.

272. The Funds offered and sold shares of their capital stock during the Class Period to Plaintiffs and other members of the Class.

273. The shares of the Funds' capital stock sold to Plaintiffs and other members of the class are securities within the meaning of the Securities Act and the ICA.

#### **NO STATUTORY SAFE HARBOR**

274. The statutory safe harbor provided for forward-looking statements under certain circumstances does not apply to any of the allegedly false statements pleaded in this Complaint. The statements alleged to be false and misleading herein all relate to existing facts and conditions. In addition, to the extent certain of the statements alleged to be false might be characterized as forward-looking, the specific statements pleaded herein were not identified as "forward-looking statements" when made, or if they were so identified, they were not accompanied by the requisite language adequately informing investors that actual results "could differ materially from those projected." To the extent there were any forward-looking statements, there were no meaningful cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the purportedly forward-looking statement; in fact, as set forth above, many such purportedly "cautionary" statements were themselves false and misleading because they represented that certain events "may" or "could" occur, when in fact they had already occurred or already existed, as Plaintiffs allege.

#### **COUNT I VIOLATION OF § 11 OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

275. This Count I is asserted against the officers and directors of the Company and the Funds, Morgan Keegan as the underwriter of the Funds' shares, and PwC (hereinafter "§ 11 Defendants").

276. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained above as if fully set forth herein, except to the extent any allegations contained above contain any facts which are unnecessary or irrelevant for purposes of stating a claim under Section 11, including allegations that might be interpreted to sound in fraud or relating to any state of mind on the part of Defendants other than strict liability or negligence.

277. The § 11 Defendants, except PwC, caused to be effected a distribution of shares of the Funds' capital stock to the public pursuant to a SEC Form N-1A registration statement, dated October 27, 1998, as amended on October 28, 1999, June 6, 2000, June 30, 2006, August 17, 2000, August 18, 2000, August 25, 2000, October 30, 2000, November 11, 2007, October 26, 2001, October 28, 2002, October 29, 2003, September 10, 2004, October 28, 2004, November 23, 2004, December 13, 2004, February 11, 2005, September 1, 2005, October 31, 2005, August 31, 2006, October 30, 2006, and November 29, 2007, that was in effect during the Class Period. This registration statement, during the Class Period, contained untrue statements of material facts and omitted to state material facts required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements in the registration statement not misleading, as set forth above.

278. Each of the § 11 Defendants, other than PwC, either signed the registration statement and the amendments thereto, was a director of the Funds at the time of the filing of those portions thereof with respect to which their liability is asserted herein, or consented to being named in such registration statement or amendments thereto as a director.

279. Plaintiffs did not know that the representations made to them by Defendants regarding the matters described above were untrue and did not know the above alleged material facts that were not disclosed.

280. PwC consented to being named in the registration statement and the amendments thereto as having prepared or certified portions of the registration statement or as having prepared or certified reports used in connection with the registration statement. Liability is asserted herein against PwC in connection with those portions of the registration statement and amendments thereto prepared or certified by PwC or otherwise attributable to statements or reports prepared or certified by PwC and those statements therein made by PwC based on its authority and professional expertise.

281. PwC

- (a) Performed accounting and auditing services in connection with such registration statements and each and every amendment thereto during the Class Period;
- (b) Reviewed, or was required to review, those disclosures in such registration statements and amendments thereto related to matters for which it had responsibility as the auditor of the Funds' financial statements; and
- (c) Reviewed, or was required to review, or offered to review, which offer was accepted by the Funds' officers and directors and relied upon by said persons, the extent to which the Funds were managed in a manner consistent with their investment restrictions as disclosed in such registration statements and otherwise and in compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations applicable to registered investment companies.

282. The Funds and their board of directors and their shareholders and prospective shareholders relied upon the expertise of PwC with respect to those matters for which, as the

auditor of the Funds' financial statements, PwC was responsible in connection with such registration statements.

283. Plaintiffs and the other members of the Class are entitled to recover from Defendants pursuant to § 11 of the Securities Act damages as follows:

- (a) With respect to shares purchased, including shares purchased upon reinvesting dividends paid by the Funds in respect of such shares, during the Class Period and held on the date this suit was initiated, damages in an amount equal to the difference between the amount paid therefor (including any "load" or commission paid in connection with the purchase of such shares), but not to exceed the price at which the shares were offered to the public, and the net asset value of such shares on the date this action was initiated without reduction for dividends paid in respect of such shares and without interest;
- (b) With respect to shares purchased, including shares purchased upon reinvesting dividends paid by the Funds in respect of such shares, during the Class Period and redeemed before this action was initiated, damages in an amount equal to the difference between the amount paid therefor (including the "load" or commission paid in connection with the purchase of such shares), but not to exceed the price at which the shares were offered to the public, and the price at which such shares were redeemed without reduction for dividends paid in respect of such shares and without interest; or
- (c) With respect to shares purchased, including shares purchased upon reinvesting dividends paid by the Funds in respect of such shares,

during the Class Period and redeemed after this action was initiated but before judgment, damages in an amount equal to the difference between the amount paid therefor (including the “load” or commission paid in connection with the purchase of such shares), but not to exceed the price at which the shares were offered to the public, and the price at which such shares were redeemed (if such damages shall be less than the damages representing the difference between the amount paid for the shares and the net asset value thereof at the time this suit was brought) without reduction for dividends paid in respect of such shares and without interest.

284. If Defendants prove that any portion of the damages described in the preceding paragraph 283 represents other than the depreciation in value of the Funds’ shares resulting from such part of the Funds’ registration statement, with respect to which its liability is asserted herein, not being true or omitting to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, as alleged herein, such portion of such damages shall not be recoverable. Nothing alleged herein shall be deemed to relieve Defendants of their burden to prove their affirmative defense of loss causation.

**COUNT II**  
**VIOLATION OF § 12(a)(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

285. This Count II is asserted against Morgan Keegan as underwriter of the Funds’ shares and Regions as a participant in the distribution of the Funds’ shares through subsidiaries and trust departments of subsidiaries owned or controlled by Regions (hereinafter the “§ 12 Defendants”).

286. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained above as if fully set forth herein, except to the extent any allegations contained above contain any facts which are unnecessary or irrelevant for purposes of stating a claim under Section 12, including allegations that might be interpreted to sound in fraud or relating to any state of mind on the part of the § 12 Defendants other than strict liability or negligence.

287. The § 12 Defendants offered and sold a security, namely shares of the Funds' common stock, by means of a prospectus or were controlling persons of the Funds or of those who offered and sold the Funds' shares. This prospectus contained untrue statements of material facts and omitted to state material facts necessary in order to make the statements, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, which statements and omissions the § 12 Defendants knew, or in the exercise of reasonable care the § 12 Defendants would have known, were false or were material facts which were required to be disclosed to avoid the representations which were made from being misleading.

288. The § 12 Defendants actively solicited the sale of the Funds' shares to serve their own financial interests. Morgan Management received management fees based on the aggregate net assets of the Funds, Morgan Keegan received commissions and administrative fees based on such sales or on the aggregate net assets of the Funds, and Regions, through subsidiaries and trust departments of subsidiaries owned or controlled by Regions, received compensation for participating in the distribution of the Funds' shares.

289. Plaintiffs did not know that the representations made to them in connection with the distribution to them by the § 12 Defendants regarding the matters described above were untrue and did not know the above described material facts that were not disclosed.



290. As a result of the matters set forth herein, pursuant to § 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act, Plaintiffs and Class members are entitled to recover the consideration paid for such security with interest thereon, less the amount of any income received thereon, upon the tender of such security, or for damages if they no longer own such shares.

291. Plaintiffs and putative Class members who do not opt out, hereby tender their shares in the Funds.

292. The § 12 Defendants are liable to Plaintiffs and class members pursuant to § 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act as sellers of the Funds' shares.

**COUNT III**  
**LIABILITY UNDER §15 OF THE SECURITIES ACT**

293. This Count III is brought pursuant to §15 of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77o, against the officers and directors of the Funds and Morgan Management, as controlling persons of the Company and the Funds; Morgan Management, Holding, as the controlling person of Morgan Management; Regions, as the controlling person of Morgan Keegan and Holding (hereinafter "Controlling Person Defendants"); and certain of the individual Defendants as officers and directors of Morgan Management, Morgan Keegan, Holding, and Regions.

294. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained above as if fully set forth herein, except to the extent any allegations contained above contain any facts which are unnecessary or irrelevant for purposes of stating a claim under Section 15, including allegations that may be interpreted to sound in fraud or relating to any state of mind on the part of defendant other than strict liability or negligence.

295. Each of the Controlling Person Defendants was a controlling person of the § 11 Defendants (except PwC) or § 12 Defendants. Such persons were controlling persons of the Funds by virtue of his or her position as a director or senior officer of the Company, the

Funds, Morgan Management, Morgan Keegan, or of the wholly owing parent of any of the foregoing corporate entities; or by virtue of its position as the manager of, and investment advisor to, the Funds; or as the wholly owing parent of any of the foregoing non-Fund corporate entities.

296. Each of the MK Defendants was a participant in the violations of Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act alleged in Counts I and II above, based on his or her having signed the registration statements and/or having otherwise participated in the process which allowed the offerings of the Funds' shares to be successfully completed.

**COUNT IV**  
**VIOLATION OF INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT § 34(b)**

297. This Count IV is asserted against all Defendants.

298. Defendants are persons who (i) made untrue statements of material facts in a registration statement, amendments thereto, reports, accounts, records and other documents filed or transmitted pursuant to the ICA, or the keeping of which is required pursuant to § 31(a) of the ICA and/or (ii) in connection with such filing, transmitting, or keeping any such document, omitted to state therein facts necessary in order to prevent the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, from being materially misleading, all as set forth above, including but not limited to the Funds' violation of their fundamental investment restriction relating to the limit on investments in a single industry, which violation was also a violation of § 13 of the Investment Company Act.

299. For purposes of § 34(b) of the ICA, any part of any registration statement, reports, records and other documents filed or transmitted pursuant to the ICA which is signed or certified by an accountant or auditor in its capacity as such shall be deemed to be made, filed, transmitted, or kept by such accountant or auditor, as well as by the person filing, transmitting, or keeping the complete document. Defendant directors signed the

Funds' registration statement and amendments thereto and signed the Funds' reports on the Funds' internal controls pursuant to SEC Form N-SAR. PwC signed its reports regarding the Funds' financial statements for their fiscal years ended June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2006 and certified such financial statements, which were part of the Funds' registration statement, as amended from time to time during the Class Period, and signed its reports on the Funds' internal controls pursuant to SEC Form N-SAR.

300. By engaging in the conduct described herein, Defendants violated § 34(b) of the ICA, as amended, and, pursuant to § 1(b)(1) and (5) of the ICA, the interests of those who invested in the Funds were adversely affected because (i) such investors purchased, paid for, exchanged, received dividends upon, voted, refrained from voting, sold, or surrendered shares issued by the Funds without adequate, accurate, and explicit information, fairly presented, concerning the character of such shares and the circumstances, policies, and financial responsibility of the Funds and their management and (ii) the Funds, in keeping their accounts, in maintaining reserves, and in computing their earnings and the asset value of their outstanding securities, employed unsound or misleading methods, and were not subjected to adequate independent scrutiny.

301. As a result of such conduct, pursuant to § 47(b) of the ICA, Plaintiffs and the other members of the Class are entitled to rescind their purchases of the Funds' shares during the Class Period or are otherwise entitled to damages in an amount to be proved at trial.

#### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and the other members of the class, pray for judgment against Defendants as follows:

A. Declaring this action to be a proper class action;

- B. Awarding Plaintiffs and the other members of the class rescission or compensatory or rescissory damages;
- C. Awarding to Plaintiffs and the other members of the class prejudgment interest in the manner and at the maximum rate where permitted by law;
- D. Awarding to Plaintiffs and the other members of the class costs and expenses of this litigation, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, including experts' fees and costs; and
- E. Granting such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury of all issues so triable.

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